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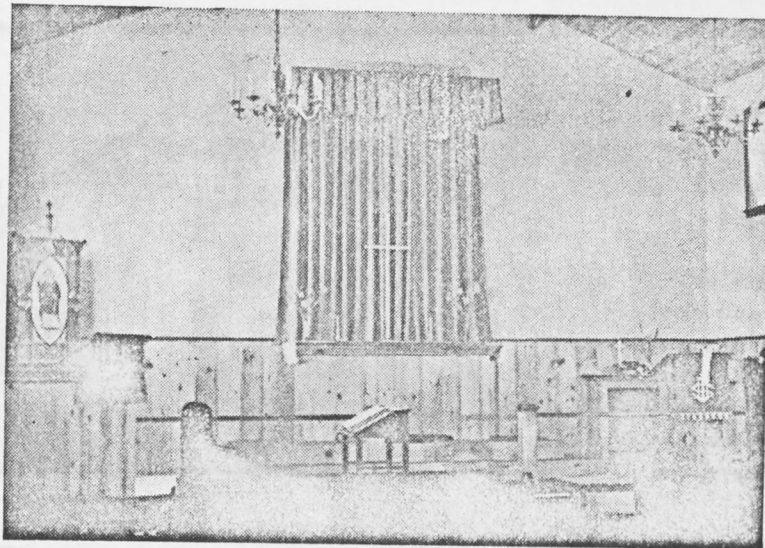
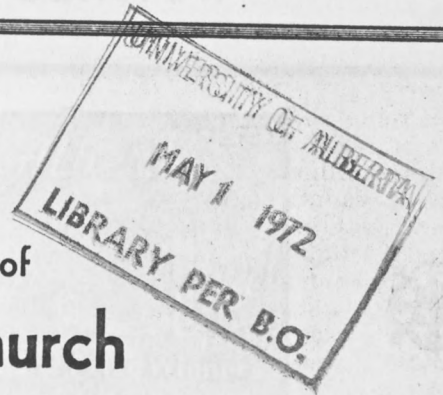
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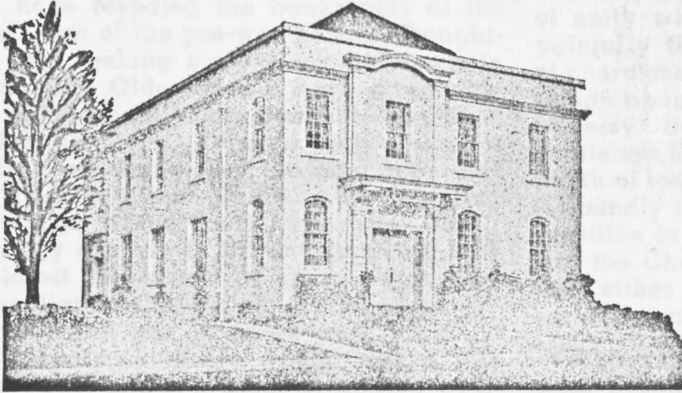
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The Bishop's Page

My Dear People:

From time to time it is our privilege to welcome visitors to the diocese who have made some particular aspect of Church life and work their specialized interest. You will recall that the Reverend Roland Palmer, S.S.J.E., came last fall to conduct an evangelistic Mission in the Cathedral and to confer with the clergy on the subject of missions. This month I'm glad to announce another visitor of outstanding gifts of leadership in the field of Christian Evangelism in the person of the Reverend Gilbert H. Williams, Vicar of Christ Church, Hurlingham, London. The programme which has been arranged for him is printed in the diocesan news. Our people generally will have an opportunity to hear his message on Sunday, June 15th, at 11 a.m., in Christ Church, and at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral and again on Wednesday evening, June 18th, in the Cathedral at 8 p.m. I cannot over-emphasize the importance of this visit to our diocesan life and urge all who can do so to attend the public services I have listed.

In connexion with his visit I call your attention to the urgency of an evangelical ministry. Part of that urgency arises from the pressure of circumstances. People are seeking firm beliefs by which to order their lives. The horrors of the war years have revealed the bankruptcy of the secular idealisms of the pre-war period. Thoughtful people are seeking some clear guidance in religious matters. Older people have discovered that their religious thinking has not developed with the passing years. Younger people wander from church to church to find the kind of sermon or service to help them. There is a prevailing spiritual vacuum which the innumerable "isms" are desperately anxious to fill and to which they bring the latest techniques of group psychology and the familiar methods of loud voiced propaganda. The skilful use of press and radio to propagate ideas and ideals which distort the Christian evangel and sow seeds of discord within the churches and between the churches must be counteracted by a soundly intelligent evangelistic movement within those churches which form the Canadian Council of Churches (of which our late Primate was the distinguished President).

To give concrete illustration of what I mean I must, contrary to my usual practice on this page, single out one movement which constitutes a danger to the Churches and which has captured the imagination of some of our young people. I refer to the "Youth for Christ International." This is a movement which seeks to divide the churches and to undo the work of the Canadian Council

of Churches. It stands for a view of the Bible and of Christian doctrine which enlightened Christendom must oppose in the interests of truth. The "Youth for Christ International" emerged as a movement in the summer of 1945. It is familiar to us by its glamorous mammoth rallies of city youth on Saturday nights. It is a revivalistic movement which seeks to "win souls to Christ" "to reach Canadian youth with the message of salvation." You may ask what could be more desirable at the present time? The answer is not easy to give. But in its simplest form the answer I feel like giving is that it is essentially a divisive movement. The movement claims that the churches which are members of the Canadian Council (United, Presbyterian, Baptist, Anglican) are not true "Bible Believers," they are "Bible Sceptics." It seeks to revive within our communions the old fundamentalist-modernist controversy. Their view of the Bible is expressed in such a statement as the following—"We take the ground that on the original parchment every sentence, word, line mark, point, pen-stroke, jot, title, was put there by God." If the Church seeks to counter such an unintelligent view of Holy Scripture, it lays itself open to the unintelligent charge of being "Bible sceptics." Evangelism in the hands of such people becomes a real danger to the spirit of unity which has been growing so slowly and painfully through the years. It sets one group of churchmen against another group, one denomination against another in bitter and fruitless controversy. But this movement surely constitutes a challenge to the Church to concerted action. The youth of today are ready for an evangelism which is soundly intelligent, courageous and spiritually sensitive to the concrete problems they face. Unless the Church provides such an evangel, youth will either follow these leaders into fanatical sectarianism or in to complete secularism.

I have drawn attention to this particular movement because it is typical of a good deal of the religious evangelism of the present time. It is dangerous because it seeks to divide the Christian forces which have been slowly and painfully growing together. In the face of the sectarian fanaticism which it fosters churches must present an enlightened, courageous evangel.

There are other gospels abroad in our world over against which the Church must present the truth as it is in Jesus. Among the most fascinating of these is Atheistic Communism. Communism gains its hold upon the minds and hearts of people by its apparent passion for social justice. Most

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Editorial

Church Broadcasting

For some years now several of our Churches in Edmonton have been broadcasting their morning services over two local stations. Until recently they enjoyed a broadcast time of one hour and a quarter, which barely gave time enough for the complete Morning Prayer and a sermon of less than twenty minutes. A few months ago this time was reduced to one hour and ten minutes on the one station, CJCA, and the other station, CFRN, has requested that the service be restricted to one hour.

It must be remembered that primarily the service is for the congregation in the Church which is broadcasting, and any mutilation of the Service of Morning Prayer to make it fit in a restricted time schedule will hardly be welcomed by them. On the other hand, it may well be that a one hour broadcast Service, an abridged Morning Prayer, is all that is required, and the broadcasting Churches should be willing to accept an abbreviated Service in the interests of those whose only hope of taking part in a Church service is through the medium of radio. There can be no

doubt that the Churches which are broadcasting would be more than willing to accept a shortened form of Morning Prayer, with perhaps only one lesson, once each month, providing always that they had the assurance that enough people were listening-in to justify the change, and that the broadcast services filled a real need and were appreciated.

This question of appreciation is not easy to answer. Generally speaking we accept the things we like without comment, and only make our protests when we have to submit to things we don't like. In the case of radio, if we don't like a programme we don't listen. If we do like it we are apt to take it as a matter of course, and we feel under no obligation to write in our word of appreciation. It is doubtful if one person in a hundred ever writes in to commend a programme unless it happens to be offering some challenge. We don't ever remember writing any such letter ourselves, though we have enjoyed some excellent broadcasts, which deserved very great praise.

This absence of comment leaves the field wide open to a small but vocal minority whose only interest is the so-called "popular music." Exactly how popular it is can be deduced from the increasing number of people whose radios are silent almost all day long except for the occasional news bulletin. Yet the public has to suffer an increasing proportion of this type of music at all hours of the day, and every day of the week, including Sunday. No one is disputing its place on the radio; what we plead for is a sense of proportion.

As far as our Church broadcasts are concerned, the answer lies in our own power. If you enjoy Church broadcasts, write and say so, either to the Church broadcasting, or the Radio Station. If you resent the service being curtailed merely to bring on a record of swing music, write and say so. There is no other way of knowing if anyone cares, or is even listening. A post card, or even a 'phone call, is all that is required.

CALENDAR

JUNE, 1947

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| 1 | TRINITY SUNDAY. |
| 8 | 1 SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. |
| 11 | St. Barnabas A. & M. |
| 15 | 2 SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. |
| 22 | 3 SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. |
| 24 | Nativity of St. John Baptist. |
| 29 | St. Peter A. & M. |
| | 4 SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. |



DIOCESAN NEWS



Presentation to Canon and Mrs. Hunt

A luncheon in honour of Canon and Mrs. Hunt was held at the Corona Hotel on May 6th, when a number of the Clergy, their wives, and members of the Executive Committee were present.

After the luncheon the Bishop spoke on the splendid ministry of both Canon and Mrs. Hunt in this Diocese, and wished them "Godspeed." He also presented them with a silver casserole as a gift from the Clergy and Executive Committee. Both Canon and Mrs. Hunt spoke in reply, and expressed their great happiness in their work in the Diocese, and their appreciation of the friendships which they had always enjoyed.

The Rev. H. G. Brant, B.A., L.Th., to be incumbent of Vegreville

The Bishop announces the appointment of the Reverend H. G. Brant as incumbent of Vegreville with Soda Lake and Whitford. Mr. Brant will assume his duties on Sunday, June 1st.

Vegreville has, during the past few years, been ministered to, as time permitted, by the Vicar of Mannville. Lately the parish has increased in general strength making the appointment of a full time parish priest necessary.

We congratulate our people at Vegreville and pray God's blessing on Priest and people.

Ordination Service The Rev. Howard Buchner, B.A. (Alta.), L.Th. (Trin.) Assistant to the Dean

On Sunday morning, May 11th, in All Saints' Cathedral, Howard Wendel Buchner was made a Deacon in the Church of God and has been appointed by the Bishop as assistant at the Cathedral. The Dean, the Very Reverend A. M. Trendell, D.D., preached the Sermon. The Venerable S. F. Tackaberry, D.D. presented Mr. Buchner to the Bishop. Mr. A. E. Bowker acted as bishop's chaplain. The Honourable Mr. Justice Frank Ford, D.C.L., LL.D., attended and presented the License and Letters of Orders to the Ordinand.

Attending the service were the parents of Mr. Buchner together with two of his brothers from Calgary. After the service, the Bishop and The Chancellor entertained the party at Luncheon in the Corona Hotel.

Mr. Owen Johnston to Edson

Mr. Owen Johnston, a student from Trinity College, Toronto, has accepted the invitation of the Bishop to work in the diocese during the summer. Pending the appointment of a priest to Edson, Mr. Johnston will carry on the work there. His special training has been in the sphere of work

amongst young people in which he has had considerable experience. He will assist at Kapasiwin Camps during the season. We give him a warm welcome to the diocese.

Bible Quiz

1. How many days are there from the Resurrection to the coming of the Holy Ghost?
2. On what great Jewish feast did the coming of the Holy Ghost occur?
3. Where did Jesus tell the disciples to wait to be endued with power from on high?
4. What is called "The Great Commission"?
5. Who preached the first Christian sermon?
6. What queen visited Solomon and was amazed by his wisdom and wealth?
7. Who challenged the prophets of Baal to get their god to send down fire on Mount Carmel?
8. What Queen risked her life to save her people?
9. Who is known as "The Singer of Israel"?
10. Who wrote the Acts of the Apostles?

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people do not stop to think much of its gospel of violence and of hate or of its resolute determination to destroy the power and influence of the Christian church either by direct persecution or by diverting the children into channels of paganism. In this connexion I would point out the need for the teaching of the full Christian faith. All too often Christianity has been presented as a "disembodied" religion. Communism on the other hand has recognized the fact that no other influences are quite so powerful in determining a man's life as the conditions under which he earns his daily bread. Christianity is, however, essentially a sacramental religion. To present it in exclusively spiritual terms is to

ignore its great central truth—"the word became flesh." The evangel which will make its appeal to modern man must have a firm grip on reality. A disembodied Christianity which remains a stranger to the man who tends the machine, works in the fields or in the scientific laboratory has nothing much to say to this generation.

I raise these points here because they point the urgent need for a concentrated study of methods in evangelism and challenge the Churches to concerted action.

Yours faithfully,

Walter Schumlin

Kapasiwin



The Leadership Training Camp. Every parish in the Diocese should be represented at this Camp, for there is always real help given leaders and would-be leaders of different parish groups. The actual worth of such camps can be appreciated when it is realized that our own Diocesan Camp for this purpose was among the first to pioneer in this field, and has since been followed by nearly every other Diocese in the Dominion!

Staff:

Patron, The Rt. Rev. W. F. Barfoot, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, who will open the Camp, at the Evening service the first day;

Dean, The Rev. E. S. Ottley;

Chaplain and Bible Study, The Rev. C. E. F. Wolff;

M.S.C.C., Mr. J. C. Thommen, an Indian Christian of the Reformed Syrian Church, student at Wycliffe College, Toronto;

G.B.R.E., The Rev. Chas. Bishop, Okotoks, Alta., and The Rev. L. A. C. Smith;

Hostess, Mrs. C. E. F. Wolff;
Nurse, Miss Sylvia Aldridge;
Registrar, The Rev. R. S. Faulks.

Transportation to all Camps from Edmonton by the C.N.R. Local, which goes out the day at 1:00 p.m. M.S.T. each camp commences. There is a returning train the day each camp closes at about 3:00 p.m. M.S.T.

What to Bring. Bible, Prayer Book, note book, bathing suit, towels, toiletries, change of clothes, sweater, raincoat, night clothes, etc. **THREE BLANKETS and PILLOW.**

Parents please note the matter of **THREE** blankets. We have had a time to keep the youngsters warm when asleep, when there have not been

enough blankets taken to camp, and it is not desirable that children "double up." All beds are single, and equipment does not lend itself to any other arrangement.

The Junior Camps are to be under the direction of the Rev. Canon Hatfield, with a staff of helpers and a nurse. Two Camps, July 3 to 11, and 13 to 21. Age limits, 9 to 12 inclusive.

The Senior Boys' Camp (August 17 to 27) is under the direction of the Rev. F. A. Peake. There will be several experienced helpers, including a Chaplain. Also, Mr. E. O. Johnston, from Trinity College, Toronto, will be on hand to give swimming instruction. The Bishop has kindly arranged to make him available to help with all activities at Kapasiwin this season.

The Senior Girls' Camp is to be managed by Miss Arva Stewart, Regional Director of Girls' Work for the W.A. She will have several assistants, and so looks forward to a happy time with the girls. The Rev. F. E. Smith has kindly consented to be the Chaplain for this camp, and in addition to taking the services, will also be responsible for religious instruction. Mrs. Smith has also been kind enough to accept duties at this camp, and will be the camp "Mother" and Nurse. The D.B.R.E. very much appreciates their ready participation in camp affairs so soon after coming to work among us in this Diocese.

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The Anglican Young People's Association



Council Activities

The council meeting will be held in All Saints' Parish Hall on Friday, May 16. The chief topic for discussion will be the Conference on May 31st and June 1st and the work project at Kapasiwin on May 24th.

We are pleased to announce that our whist drive, held last month was quite successful. The whist drive was to raise money to send a candidate to the Youth Conference to be held in Oslo this summer. Mrs. R. A. Whyte of St. Faith's had the highest lady's score and Tom Hayden of St. Mark's and D. Lowe of St. Luke's tied for top gentleman's score.

Branch Activities

St. Peters

A very successful whist drive was held on the evening of April 16th. A theater party was held on a fellowship evening and refreshments were served afterwards at the church. We had a guest speaker from the Moravian Church, who presented a very interest-

ing talk on how the Moravian religion was founded and of its many missions in foreign countries. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed this visit. Our Corporate Communion breakfast was also well attended.

St. Faith's

On April 29th we had our election of officers. The new slate is as follows: President, Bill Miller; Vice-President, Jean Currey; Secretary-Treasurer, Evelyn Ewen; Vice-President of work, Reg. Roberts; Vice-President of edification, Tony Mason; Vice-President of worship, Peggy Hodges and Vice-President of fellowship, Dave Cleveley.

On May 5 we were shown through CFRN. They took us through the broadcasting studios, the record library and showed us the teletype machine. It was all very interesting and really worth seeing.

Then on May 13 we went on a hike. We had a pretty good turnout and in spite of the uncertain weather, everyone had a good time.

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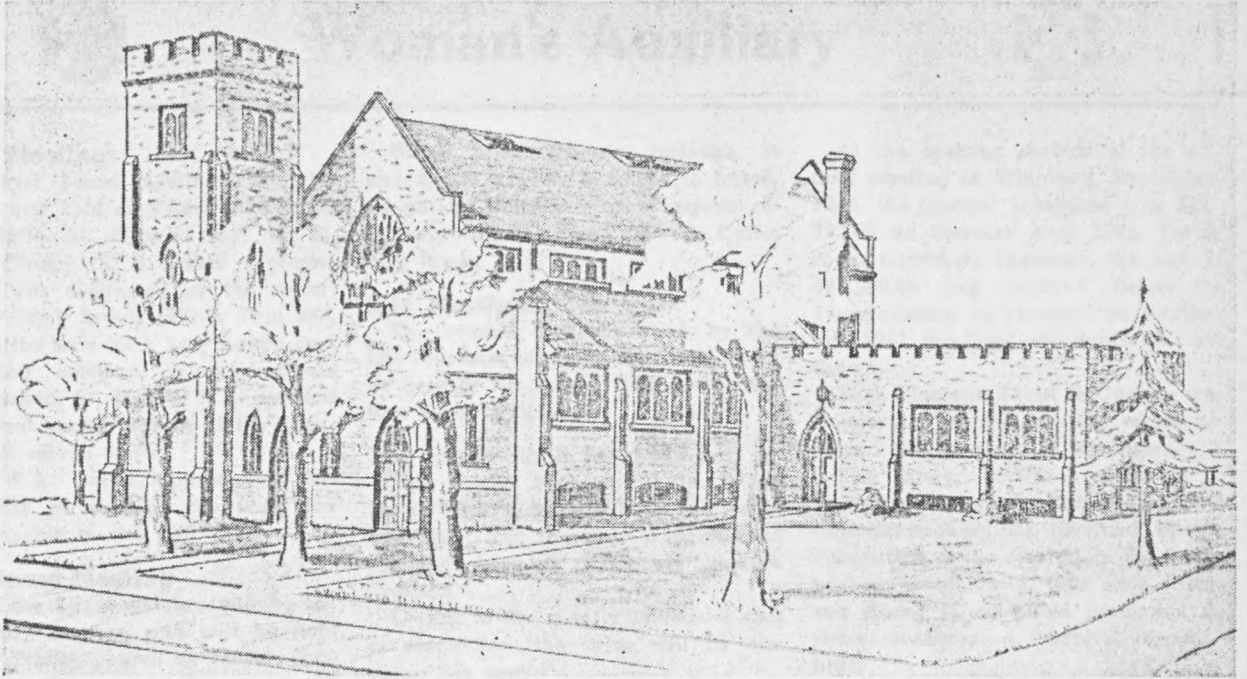
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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH AND HALL



A view of the proposed Memorial Parish Hall to be added to Holy Trinity Church, Edmonton. The appeal for \$25,000 is to be launched on Trinity Sunday, June 1st. The Rector and Wardens will sit in the Church the Sunday Afternoon to receive donations from members of the congregation, organizations and friends of Holy Trinity.

Miss Eva Scott to Drayton Valley

Miss Eva Scott has returned home upon the completion of her first year of training at The Anglican Women's Training College in Toronto. Miss Scott reports a successful and happy year in College. She will spend the summer months with Miss Onions helping in the work of the Drayton Valley Mission. The practical experience to be gained from work under the direction of such an experienced worker will be of great value to her. We are delighted to welcome Miss Scott among our diocesan workers.

Visit of Western Field Secretary

The Rev. L. A. C. Smith, Western Field Secretary of the General Board of Religious Education, is to visit Edmonton on the 8th of June. He is expected to preach in St. Peter's in the morning at 11:00 a.m., and at St. Mary's in the evening at 7:30 p.m.

After the evening service it has been arranged that he will present his collection of slides on various Summer Schools in All Saints' Parish Hall.

Anglican Teachers' Association

On May 6th, St. John's parish hall was filled with Rectors and teachers who had met together to enjoy a delicious supper and to hear an address by our Bishop. All were interested in the building plans of St. John's and pleased to be present in the church whilst they were being carried out. After a short service led by the Rev. W. Harrison, the Bishop spoke on one of the chief defects in our Sunday Schools. Worship should be the centre of the Sunday session, and schools should aim at creating conditions favorable to a reverent worship of God. To do this it may be necessary to discard all terms suggesting a day school, as there are associated with learning, and not with worship. Much more is involved in Christian education than imparting knowledge: the will and the emotions are concerned as well as the mind. So often the Sunday school is entirely separate from the church, causing the child to think it a separate thing, and not leading him to church. Acts of worship are more important than knowl-

edge, because we can never explain all of our religion. Parents and children should be in church together; should come together and go home together. At some point in the service the junior members of the church should leave the seniors in church and go to a special place of their own with all the aids to worship, and where they can have instruction suitable to their ages.

The Bishop would like Sunday Schools to plan along these lines, to experiment, and to discuss the matter with him. The meeting closed with the Benediction.

NOTICE: All entries in the Work Book Competition should be sent to Miss E. Merryweather at St. Catherine's Residence, 9707 107th St., by July 15th. This competition is open to the whole diocese.

BROADCASTING

June 1	All Saints	CJCA
8	St. Faith's	CFRN
15	Holy Trinity	CJCA
29	Christ Church	CJCA



Woman's Auxiliary



Board Meetings

The first Board meeting after the Annual was held on Friday afternoon, April 25th, St. Mark's Day, in St. Mark's Church. At 2 o'clock a prayer service was conducted by the rector, the Reverend Arthur Elliott. That service set the tone for a very happy and interesting meeting. When business was finished, St. Mark's W.A. assisted by several young women of the Evening Club served tea.

The W.A. Board appreciated this hospitality as well as the very fine arrangements in the hall.

June Board Meeting

The June Board meeting will be the usual day meeting and will be held at Holy Trinity Church on Friday, June 6th. Holy Communion Service at 10 a.m. will begin the day's programme. It is hoped that every city branch will be able to send the number of delegates it is privileged to send.

Deanery Meetings

June 3rd—Wetaskiwin W.A. Deanery will meet at Camrose.

June 10th—Vermilion W.A. Deanery will meet at Vermilion.

June 24th—Wainwright W.A. Deanery will meet at Wainwright.

A.W.T.C. Candidates

The W.A. is glad to welcome home Miss Eva Scott of this city and Miss Margaret Cording of Blue Ridge (Mayerthorpe parish). Miss Cording will serve on a Sunday school van in Athabasca and Miss Scott will spend some time at Drayton Valley. Both were successful in their year's work. For this, our congratulations are extended. Both girls expect to return to the Training College this Fall.

Miss Jessie Miller

A real welcome is extended to Miss Miller as she comes home to Edmonton for ten days, from May 16th to 26th. As this goes to press, she is speaking to the W.A. branch at Vermilion. While she is in the city she will address many groups and will be entertained at the Corona by the Executive on Tuesday and by Mrs. L. May on Thursday afternoon.

When Miss Miller's furlough is ended, she expects to return to Japan, where she worked as an evangelist up to the outbreak of war between China and Japan.

Life Members' Tea

The annual Tea convened by the Life Members of this diocese will likely be held in All Saints' Hall during the first week in October.

The Study Book for 1947-8

The Study Book for 1948, "One Family" (Canada) will be of the loose-leaf type, and therefore a permanent reference book on missionary work in Canada.

Owing to the greatly increased cost of production, the price will be one dollar per copy.

It is expected that Mrs. Moore, the Diocesan Educational Secretary will have copies at the Board meeting at Holy Trinity and at the Deanery annu-als.

"Help me the slow of heart to move
With some clear winning word of love."

A Reminder

It is again brought to your attention that the United Thank Offering from January to June, is used for the training and pensioning of Missionaries, so please collect all offerings at your last meeting in June, and forward to the U.T.O. Secretary.

Mrs. L. Roberts,
10058 91st Avenue,
Edmonton, Alberta.

A Letter from the Dominion Thank Offering Secretary United Thank Offering

"The aim of the Dominion Board has been to train ten missionaries each year over a period of five years. The first year has passed showing a very substantial increase in recruits, which naturally means increased expenditure for training and a larger number for whom pensions will be required. The Thank-Offering provides for these expenditures, therefore we are dependent on the United Thankoffering to carry out this proposed expansion. Consequently this fund must be augmented.

At the opening service of the Annual meeting in Winnipeg, September, 1946, the amount presented was \$22,783.00 an increase over 1945. Yet to cover legitimate expenses, the sum of \$25,000.00 was required. Before the Thankoffering is received in September, 1947, the Fund will again be over-drawn.

Each Diocesan Board in Canada was represented at the meeting which accepted the program of expansion.

The former treasurer, Mrs. D. B. Donaldson, mentioned the increased financial obligations involved by the acceptance of the resolution. Yet it was passed unanimously, thus each Diocesan Board is obligated to accept its share of increased financial responsibility.

I am, therefore, asking you to bring this matter to the attention of your branches whenever an opportunity presents, impressing upon them the seriousness of this situation and inviting discussion of ways and means whereby the Fund may be increased.

I am still firmly convinced that the use of individual boxes by all members will be most effective. Tin boxes are once more available and I do urge a greater use be made of them.

With all best wishes and sincere thanks for any interest taken in this matter."

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Annie Grace McIntyre
Vice-President for Eastern Canada

E. C. D.

Twenty dollars was voted to the Girls' Department to send to the "Canadian" Room in the Highway Club in London in which Miss Marindin was interested.

A further twenty dollars was voted as a gift for house furnishings to the Reverend and Mrs. W. D. Ellway, recently come from England to Edgerton.

Dorcas Dept.

Dear Branch Secretaries:

During my absence from the city, June 1st to Sept. 15th, Mrs. Spilsted has kindly consented to look after any Dorcas business that may arise. Bales

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The Church of England in Western Canada

By REV T C. B. BOON, B.A.

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Mr. Newton lost no time in settling down to his work in the Edmonton District. On October 22nd, 1875, he wrote to Bishop McLean, asking for supplies of Hymn Books and Prayer Books in both English and Cree, and said, "My present Sunday Services are a Sunday School in the Mission House at 9 o'clock, Divine Service at 10, partly English and partly Cree. At 12 o'clock the horses are harnessed and I drive fast to Fort Saskatchewan, where Colonel Jarvis and the Mounted Police Forces are; and hold Service as near 3 o'clock as I can manage it, the distance being about 30 miles. The Sunday evening is spent conversing with the men, reading with them or doing anything which may arise to interest them in religious matters . . . On arriving (in Edmonton) I could not obtain a room at the Fort, either for personal use or for permanent Services, so the best and almost the only thing I could do was to take an unfurnished house belonging to Mr. Hardisty and fit it up for Church and dwelling house. All the upper part, which makes a large room, is fitted up as a Church. We have a simple Altar place, which I have covered with blue and red cloth and which looks as nice as we could expect. My own furniture I have been obliged to make myself, viz: Bedstead, shelves and tables, for workmen are very scarce and dear, and they run up frightful expenses." Mr. Newton comments elsewhere that in fine weather this chapel was very suitable and looked very well; but in snowy weather the storms gave great trouble. Often, on Sunday mornings, they had to use shovels to throw the snow out of the window; then when the fire had melted the snow on the open rafters, the wet came down on their heads and caused discomfort at the Services.

On the 20th December, 1876, a Report was sent to the S.P.G. The Mission covered about 25 miles of country, including Fort Saskatchewan, the Upper Settlement, Fort Edmonton and Long Lake, though sometimes the work was carried further. The Mission con-

tained about 25 families and a varying number of Her Majesty's Mounted Police Forces, but comprised about half of the Protestant population. There was an average attendance at Church of 20. There were 7 communicants; often increased by Gentlemen on the Canadian Pacific Railway, and by others passing to the Forts of the Honourable Hudson Bay Company. Five candidates were being prepared for Confirmation. During a recent visit by the Bishop, a most influential committee had been formed for the purpose of erecting a small Church near to the Fort of Edmonton, and of the members, Colonel Jarvis of the R.N.W. P. and Chief Factor Hardisty, seem to have been the most prominent. Sunday Schools were being conducted at Edmonton and the Upper Settlement, besides which there were often week-day classes for religious and general instruction.

This Report was forwarded to the Venerable Society with a covering letter from the Bishop, written from Fort Saskatchewan on the same date, in which he remarks that he was journeying by dog-carriage over the snow. Some idea of the rate of travel in those days is given by the information that the Bishop left Prince Albert on November 29th, reached Fort Carlton on the 30th, Battleford on December 4th, Fort Pitt December 17th and reached Edmonton on December 17th. At Fort Pitt he had been joined by the Reverend J. A. Mackay, C.M.S. Secretary for the Saskatchewan Diocese; they were together looking over the country to find proper locations for Indian Missions. The Bishop adds, "I have camped out in the open air nineteen nights already, and expect to sleep in the same way every night for the next three weeks; except two or three."

Mr. Newton's Report on the 25th June, 1878, begins by drawing attention to the isolation of Edmonton and the floating nature of its population. He was holding Services for Indians as often as they came to the Fort with their furs and said "The sermon is

excellently rendered into Cree by my Church Warden, who, although a poor man, willingly does this service gratuitously. There have been 11 Baptisms, each Baptism representing about 15 miles of travel. The people very seldom will bring their children to be Baptized at the Regular Services. They ask for the rite to be performed as soon as possible after the child is born. The first thing they do is to collect their friends in a house or a tent, wherever it may be, and send off for the Clergyman straight away. The excuse mostly is, "The child is ill", and if he should not be at home, some other clergyman is likely to be called in to Baptize; for we too in the far North-West are getting "enlightened" and "above bigotry" in such things and consider it "much the same" whatever Church Baptizes. Hence it is now my habit on such invitations to go at once if possible; and I have often been rewarded by having some of our best and most interesting Services on such occasions.

"Notwithstanding sickness and other drawbacks, our people have met their own incidental expenses—and in addition, have given, chiefly in labour, about 150 dollars towards the Church now building at Edmonton. The frame of the Church is erected, and the roof completed, and I did hope to begin to hold Services in it at Whitsuntide; but the man who contracted for the door and the windows failed in his engagement and they are being made at Victoria, 90 miles off. With every care, the cost of building is frightful. Two dollars and a half, or three dollars per day for wages. Nails are 50 cents a pound and everything in proportion. As soon as the windows are in, the people have agreed to do the flooring and other work in the inside of the Church as their subscription,—thus saving three or four hundred dollars in the cost of the building. Then we have the Chancel end, and the tower to finish, to say nothing of necessary furniture, harmonium, Communion Service, Bell, etc. Our isolation and the vast distance everything has to be carried render our work very difficult. The Church, when finished, will be a pretty building,—and it is picturesquely situated on the banks of the Saskatchewan. Several circumstances have occurred greatly to en-

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I Believe in the Holy Catholic Church

By THE REV. F. A. PEAKE, L.Th., M.R.S.L.

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The Church and the Patriots

Fortunately for the Church and Nation Henry III was by no means expressing public opinion when he deferred humbly and abjectly to the bishop of Rome. There were still men who were prepared to withstand king and pope when occasion demanded. Prominent among these were Robert Grosseteste, Bishop of Lincoln, and his close friend, Simon de Montfort, Earl of Leicester.

Grosseteste protested bitterly against the corruption and immorality of the papal see. Affairs came to a head in 1253 when he refused to accede to the pope's demand that a nephew of his, Frederick de Lavagna, be inducted as a canon of Lincoln Cathedral. He refused in a letter in which he speaks plainly of the pope's conduct, saying that it was not apostolic, and reminding him that there was no sin so hateful to the Lord Jesus Christ as that men should take the milk and wool of Christ's sheep and betray the flock. When the pope heard this letter read he declared that the bishop was a "deaf old dotard" and that his "vassal," the king, should imprison him. Here, however, the cardinals interfered, and told the pope that such a proceeding was impossible, since the bishop was better and holier than any of them, a great philosopher and scholar.

Bishop Grosseteste died in the autumn of the same year, but the fight for reform was carried on by Simon de Montfort. The exactions of king and pope increased until they became an intolerable burden. From time to time the king swore that he would make no further demands but just as quickly he forgot his oaths. Finally, discontent reached such a pitch that civil war broke out and on May 14th, 1264, the royal forces were defeated at the battle of Lewes. In the following year the so-called "Model Parliament" was held and represents the beginning of modern constitutional government in England. This reference to national affairs may seem to be outside the scope of a church history but in the words of Sir Francis Palgrave, "However powerful the nobles may have been it is doubtful whether they would have been able to maintain themselves against the monarchy if they had been deprived of the support of the abbots and bishops who were placed in the first rank as peers and the realm. The mitre has resisted many blows which would have broken the helmet. It is to these prelates that we chiefly owe the maintenance of the form and spirit of free government secured to us not by force but by law;

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News from Here and There

(Compiled by the Rev. E. S. Ottley)

LONDON, England.—Great news is expected of the Christian Commando Campaign, which was carried on in the City of London from April 18 to 23. An account of the purpose and organization of the Campaign is given in the "Church of England News-paper."

The campaign, the culmination of four years' planning, preparation and service up and down the country, is to take the simple facts of the Christian faith to the people. It is, in short, a great adventure of team evangelism. Something like 3,000 ministers and laymen, representing many denominations, are going to meet the Londoner at home, at work, and at play. Clergymen, ministers, officers, deaconesses, students, business men, doctors, journalists, workers, politicians, sportsmen, and many others are among the 34 teams. They will go into factories, business houses, luncheon clubs, cinemas, dance halls, schools, youth clubs, hospitals, and not least, the dwellings of the people. Prisons and public-houses are also included.

Twelve Thousand Meetings

The organizers estimate that not less than 12,000 meetings will be held during the campaign—a big job for 1,200 churches and 3,000 men to tackle, and to make their impact upon a population of more than 8,000,000 people.

The Commandos will be easily recognized by the badge they will be wearing—a badge with three capital C's—Christian Commando Campaign—a cross and the arms of the City of London. This coming descent upon London has created a vast amount of interest already.

Overseas countries are also watching its progress. Groups of observers are coming from Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Holland and France. They will see the Commandos at work, attend the meetings and demonstrations, and return home with reports.

BELGIUM.—The following inscription has been noted in a Belgian graveyard of World War II: "Because you would not think, therefore we had to die."

NEW YORK.—Considerable opposition by non-Roman Churches is evident

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Clergy Conference

June 16th—June 19th

The Clergy will gather in conference under the leadership of the Reverend G. H. Williams, Vicar of Christ Church, Hurlingham, London, on Monday, June 16th, at 10 a.m., in the Cathedral. This is a unique opportunity which will bring great benefits to the work of the Church in the diocese.

PROGRAMME

Monday through Thursday—each day from 10 a.m. to 12 noon addresses and discussions of Problems of Parochial Evangelism. Clergy of other denominations have been invited to attend with us.

Wednesday evening—8 p.m.

Rally of all our Church People in All Saints' Cathedral at 8 p.m. with an address by the Reverend G. H. Williams.

Sunday, June 15th

The Reverend G. H. Williams will preach—

11:00 a.m.—Christ Church.

7:30 p.m.—All Saints' Cathedral.

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in many parts of the U.S.—opposition growing out of proposals to use public-school busses to convey Roman Catholic children to their Separate Schools. This has culminated in resolutions by various Church bodies, such as the following issued by the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church: "Resolved, that the National Council reaffirms the position of our Church in support of the American principle of the separation of Church and State and opposes the use of public funds for sectarian educational purposes . . . and disapproves of such items as have recently appeared in state and federal legislation providing for bus travel and text books for non-public schools, and other provisions undermining the principle of separation . . ."

World Council of Churches:

An impressive picture of the part played by Christian Churches in European relief work was given by the Rev. Dr. James Hutchison Cockburn, director of the Department of Reconstruction and Interchurch Aid of the World Council of Churches, in an interview in New York, April 28th.

Asked to what extent England and Scotland were able to contribute, Dr. Cockburn said:

"England is not able to give so much, in proportion, because of the difficulty of sending money out of the country. The exchange is a difficulty; in so many instances foreign exchange is not possible, because of the state of Europe. But we have had £1,000,000 (\$4,000,000) from Great Britain as a whole. Of that we have £600,000 in hand (\$2,400,000). The Government allows food to be sent out, if those who send it give up their points. Many make this sacrifice, eating scantily themselves that they may send to starving Europe. Many hundreds of tons of rationed foods are now going over, in spite of Britain's being short of food."

Dr. Cockburn spoke warmly of the generosity of Switzerland and Sweden and of Canada, saying, "They are giving very generously indeed."

W.A. Page *continued from page 8* may be sent to the Dorcas Room, c/o Synod Office, 10029 103rd Street, at anytime. All Dorcas work should be in by Sept. 30th, 1947 and Shoe money early in November. Please write to Mrs. Spilsted, 11335 102nd Avenue if you have any business to transact.

In regards to dress patterns, many branches are waiting for them and anxious to get the sewing done.

Branches at present using them are asked to return them as promptly as possible.

Any cash donations towards furnishings for Aklavik are acceptable at any time.

Thank you all for your help in all branches of the Dorcas work.

Wishing you a very happy summer.

Yours very sincerely,

Audrey L. Wilson, Sec.-Treas.

Answers to Bible Quiz

1. Fifty: read Acts 2:1; Pentecost means fiftieth—and was the name of a Jewish feast, fifty days after the Passover.
2. Pentecost.
3. Jerusalem (Luke 24:49)
4. "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15)
5. Peter (Acts 2:14)
6. The Queen of Sheba (I Kings 10:1-13)
7. Elijah (I Kings 18)
8. Esther (see the Book of Esther)
9. David.
10. Luke (It is addressed to the same person, Theophilus, as was the Gospel ascribed to Luke. Compare Luke 1:1-4, and Acts 1:1.)

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This Is Your Business

by "A Lay Delegate"

Actually this is an informal report on the Twenty-fifth Provincial Synod of Rupert's Land held in Winnipeg on April 23-25. But if the title had conveyed this to you, possibly your reaction would have been—"Oh! I'll skip this article. It's bound to be as dry as old bones." But you would have been wrong to take that view, for Synod—whether Diocesan, Provincial, or General—meets to conduct the business of the Church, and that is very much **your** business. In all their deliberations members of Synod are acting for you and you should be deeply concerned about what is done on your behalf. To feel otherwise about it would be to shirk your responsibility as a member of the Church.

Appropriately this, the Silver Jubilee Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land, opened on the morning of St. George's Day. The delegates—episcopal, clerical and lay—assembled in St. John's Cathedral for corporate Holy Communion, which was celebrated by His Grace the Metropolitan of the Province, assisted by the Right Reverend the Bishops of Saskatoon and of Athabasca.

In other circumstances it would have been an occasion of rejoicing, for it was the first Provincial Synod since the hideous carnage of war ended in victory for the British Commonwealth and its allies. But in the impressive and inspiring atmosphere of St. John's Cathedral every member of Synod was deeply conscious of the great loss which had been sustained by the Church in Canada with the passing of our beloved Primate. In referring to him in his Charge to Synod the Metropolitan said in part:

"No man has ever done more to unify and consolidate and give expression to the inner Spirit of the Church of England in Canada. He made the Primacy what it is today . . . And the secret of his greatness, his achievements, his accomplishments was, of course, no secret at all. He lived in the presence of his Lord. For no man whom I have ever known could death, it seems to me, have been more completely just a step."

After Holy Communion, the delegates made their way to St. John's College where the business sessions of Synod were held throughout the three days. The morning was taken up with the preliminaries of striking committees, the election of the Prolocutor (who presides over the Lower House), the Deputy Prolocutor, the Secretaries and other officials.

A message of loyalty to Their Majesties from Synod was followed by an address of welcome by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba. He stressed that the future of Canada depended upon the character of her people, which, in turn depended upon the integrity of home life rooted in Christianity. He pleaded for a greater unity of all Christian communions in facing up to present day problems.

After appropriate messages of goodwill to His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, His Grace Archbishop Harding, The Right Reverend the Bishop of Brandon, the Dominion W.A. and Miss Hasell, the Synod got down to deal with the business for which it had assembled.

Mr. Justice Frank Ford presented the Report of the Committee on Constitutions and Canons. For the first time since 1929 the amended "Constitution, Canons and Order of Proceedings" were consolidated and ready for printing. Approval was given for these to be printed in booklet form.

Some important further amendments were approved.

On the motion of Chancellor H. C. Farthing of Calgary, the Deputy Prolocutor, provision was made for the amendment of the Constitution by resolution (a) passed by a two-thirds vote of the Upper and Lower Houses voting separately, or (b) passed by a majority of the House of Bishops, a majority of the Clerical delegates and a majority of the Lay delegates, and affirmed in a like manner at the next regular Provincial Synod or (c) by a majority of Dioceses and affirmed at the next regular session of Synod. Previously it required the unanimous vote of both Houses or a two-third majority of the House of Bishops and of each

Order of the House of Delegates. The provision for amendments by a majority of Dioceses remained the same, subject to confirmation at the next regular Provincial Synod by the foregoing majorities.

This important amendment received unanimous approval.

Unanimous approval also was given to an amendment of the Constitution whereby the Chancellors of the various Dioceses would attend Provincial Synod as delegates in their own right. This will have the effect of every Diocese being able to send one additional delegate.

In addition to the foregoing, approval was given to amendments relating to Synodical Jurisdiction in the Declaration of Principles of General Synod, to the General Synod Canon on Discipline, and to the Canons of General Synod on the Abandonment and Relinquishment of the Ministry.

These matters may appear terribly dull to you, but you should know about them because the Constitution of the Church is a very necessary aspect of her organization, and you will understand readily that the work of the Church cannot be carried out unless it is properly organized. Although it is to be hoped that it will never be resorted to, the Canon on Discipline should be read carefully by all Clergy.

At this point it would be appropriate to pay tribute to the masterly manner in which His Grace the Metropolitan presided over the Assembly. It is usual for the two Houses of Provincial Synod—the House of Bishops and the House of Delegates—to meet separately for most sessions. However, despite precedent, most of the sessions were held jointly, and the patience, courtesy, tact and humour of His Grace the Metropolitan did much to contribute to the wonderful spirit which inspired Synod.

In this connection every delegate must have been impressed by the atmosphere of dignity, sincerity and fellowship which was accentuated by the setting for Synod provided by St. John's College. The effect on the Edmonton delegation was reflected in their exemplary and conscientious application to their duties.

The next important matter which came before the Assembly was the re-

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port of the Committee on the Archbishop's Charge, which was presented by the Bishop of Edmonton.

Arising directly out of this, Synod strongly recommended to Dioceses that they should recognize the urgent need for increasing their apportionments to ensure that the work of the Church can be carried out properly. The suggested minimum increase is 9% for 1948 and a further 9% for 1949. However, even this will barely meet the situation and it is hoped that Dioceses will find it possible to assess themselves accordingly.

Another matter of great urgency, and of importance to every Diocese and to every parish, is that concerning the conditions under which our clergy, particularly in rural areas, have to work. To show who are not aware of the facts, it will come as a shock to know that in most cases the stipend and living conditions are far below the minimum suggested by the Metropolitan of \$1,500 a year, a house, and the means and cost of transportation. Goodness know that such a minimum is all too inadequate to ensure barely tolerable living conditions, and it is a disgrace to our Church that so many of our clergy have to exist away below this low standard of living. It is not fair to them, it is not fair to their wives and it is shameful to thus penalize their children. It is to be hoped that every parish will take this matter very much to heart.

The Synod authorized the Metropolitan of British Columbia about the reorganization of the Dioceses of the North, with a view to making the work of the Church more effective in that vast area.

Consideration was given to the amalgamation of the Theological Colleges within the Ecclesiastical Province and the matter was referred to a Committee representative of the governing bodies of the three colleges in question.

It will be a matter of interest and appreciation to all readers of The Edmonton Churchman that, arising out of the report of the Committee on Preserving Church Data, it was decided by Synod to appoint an archivist for

the Ecclesiastical Province and to invite the Reverend T. C. B. Boon to accept this position.

Within the limits of such an article it is not possible to even touch upon the other reports of various Committees or to deal with the several speakers representing other Christian communions and organizations with which our Church is connected. However, this brief review of the Twenty-fifth Provincial Synod of Rupert's Land would be incomplete without reference to the most important—in fact the all-important—aspect of the Church's mission. It was indeed unfortunate that the pressure of ordinary business should have left so little time for its consideration.

The whole matter was crystallized in a resolution presented by the Bishop of Athabasca sounding a clarion call to all parishes to make the Anglican Advance a dynamic evangelical crusade for militant Christian action—in short to dedicate ourselves completely to the service of Our Lord Jesus Christ with the living Faith which must find expression in action, inspiring others to join with us in this great crusade.

In a world rushing headlong towards disaster, therein lies the only hope for the future. That is the challenge which confronts every Christian, and it is a challenge which cannot be evaded.

The Church of England in Western Canada

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courage the friends of Church of England Missions in this part of the world, notably one at Victoria, an Indian and Half-breed Settlement. At that place there is a Hudson Bay Fort and from sixty to a hundred families according to the time of the year, and whether the people are out hunting or freighting on the plains. Some years ago, most or all of these people were connected with our Missions in or around Manitoba, but moving westward after the buffalo they were lost to us. For hundreds of miles there was no Church of England Mission, and they were always yearning after old times and the self-sacrificing love of their former Pastors. Ever since I came to Edmonton, they have been urging me to visit them occasionally, and although it is 90 miles off, and several rivers have

to be crossed, without bridges, I have gone several times and always found a warm welcome and good congregations, indeed it is usual for every family to be present at all the Services. They have sent a petition to our excellent and energetic Bishop begging that a Clergyman might be sent to them; and that petition represents every family belonging to that settlement. They tell me also that they are willing to build a house and to assist any way in their power."

Thus it would seem that the good example shown, and the sound training given, by the first Missionaries at the Red River Settlement was bearing fruit years after and a thousand miles away. Mr. Newton never failed to urge the claims which these people had for the continuation of the ministrations of the Church.

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A TOUCH OF HUMOR!

Carson, Pirie, Scott & Company, a large department store in Chicago, recently celebrated its eightieth anniversary. A set of rules for employees when the store was opened has recently been unearthed. Our readers who are concerned about the amusements and other habits of modern youth will relish these extracts:

"The employee who is in the habit of smoking Spanish cigars, being shaved at the barbers, going to dances, and other places of amusement will surely give his employer reason to be suspicious of his integrity and honesty. Each employee must not pay less than five dollars a year to the church and must attend Sunday School regularly. Men employees are given one evening a week for courting and two if they go to prayer meeting."

—CHURCH MESSENGER.



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Business Manager's Notes

We seldom take up space in this magazine on matters of business, but there are times when this is necessary and this is one of them.

Every effort is being made to publish a magazine of steadily increasing interest and value to our subscribers, but the addition of new features—some of which are under consideration—depends to a large extent on our having a paid-up subscription list.

We are getting well along in the year, but our records show a large number of subscriptions still outstanding.

Some churches have made payment for the full number of magazines being sent to their parishioners, counting on those who have not yet paid to make the necessary adjustment. If these subscribers have mislaid regular subscription envelopes, they can enclose subscription in any envelope, marked with their name and address, and put in collection plate or hand to any church officer.

A large number of magazines are mailed each month to outlying points throughout the Diocese, at some of which services are not held regularly, and our mailing list also includes subscribers in every Province of the Dominion. In these cases it will be appreciated if payment is mailed direct to The Edmonton Churchman, 10029 103rd St., Edmonton, Alta. The annual rate is now fifty cents or a dollar bill will adjust two years' subscription.

Our thanks are extended to all who have made payment for 1947, and we trust those whose subscriptions are still outstanding will respond promptly to this request for payment.

We have a few copies of the 1947 Synod group photograph on hand and will gladly mail to anyone interested in securing one on receipt of remittance, \$1.00.

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Each camp will have instruction in the Faith, and the overseas work of the Church will be illustrated by films loaned us from the M.S.C.C.

There will be plenty of sports and hikes, as well as swimming and boating under supervision.

NOTE—As there is a lighting plant at the camp, it is NOT necessary to bring candles, but of course flashlights are useful, and safe, especially for the junior campers.

The rate for all camps will be a Dollar a day, and a dollar extra for the Leadership and Senior camps; that is, eight dollars for the duration of either of the Junior camps, and eleven dollars for the period of one of the other three camps.

Improvement Fund. Generous contributions have already been gratefully received from Lois Jackson, Mrs. A. Chard, Mrs. W. L. Hammett, A. M. Boutillier St. Peter's W.A., and St. Peter's Vestry.

The D.B.R.E. is most appreciative of this prompt response to last month's appeal, and feels that the fund is off to a good start to its ultimate objective of \$2,000.00.

Registration: It would be appreciated by those who prepare for the camps if all who intend going to camp would register well in advance. It is most difficult to cater for an unknown number of people, as in the case of the senior camps. In the case of the juniors it is most difficult to distribute the numbers over the two camps, if registrations are not in. Last year we thought the matter was settled before hand, but a great many came along unexpectedly and made it hard to run the camp. Please get your **REGISTRATIONS IN EARLY!** Either cut out and send in this form, or make a duplicate, and send it along.

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and the altar has thus been the cornerstone of our ancient constitution."

The battle of Evesham, 1265, resulted in the overthrow and death of Simon de Montfort but the principles for which he struggled were established, and when Henry III died in 1272 the land was assured of a measure of freedom from papal and monarchical aggression, and the Church was free to look after her internal concerns.

The Monastic Orders

It is impossible to complete even a brief survey of the development of the Church without saying something about the position occupied by the monks in mediaeval days. In the Church of today monks are the exception rather than the rule. We have only about twelve in Canada today as compared with some 1800 'secular' clergy but in the middle ages the proportions were almost equal, if not in favour of the monks.

Monasticism was something which the Christian Church inherited from the pagan cults among which it grew up. In Egypt, for example, it was quite customary for the devotees of the gods Isis and Osiris to cut themselves off from society and, having found a cave or other secluded spot affording shelter, to spend their lives in meditation and self-torture. This apparently complete devotion of the pagan ascetics commended itself to Christians who wished to cut themselves off from the world that they might serve God the more fully. Hence, fairly soon in the history of the Christian Church, and especially after the days of the Emperor Constantine when they felt that the Church had become too worldly, do we find men leaving their homes, and families, and possessions, much as St. John Baptist had left his, and going out to devote themselves to lives of asceticism in the wilderness. The life of one such man who dwelt for many years on the tops of pillars is described in Tennyson's poem, "St. Simeon Stylites." These were the anchorites, or hermits: who lived each by himself without any attempt at a common rule of life.

Eventually, however, it dawned upon someone that there might be considerable advantages to be gained if the anchorites abandoned their seclusion from each other and became coenobites, or what we know as monks; men living in company with each other but in seclusion from the world. Thus by the fifth century we find monasteries growing up in various parts of the Christian world. As soon as such a system developed it was obvious that some sort of leadership, supervision, and direction would be necessary and this was first provided by St. Benedict (480-543).

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NEWS FROM HONAN, CHINA

[Editor's note: Archdeacon Andrews has recently returned to China with Bishop White, and is again serving in the Diocese of Honan. Some of our readers will remember hearing Archdeacon Andrews when he visited Edmonton a few years ago.]

Canadian Church Mission,
Chengchou, Honan,
November 16th, 1946.

My dear friends:

More than three months have gone by since the bishop and I arrived in China. I want to write you something about conditions as we found them. But first of all I want to thank everyone of you who wrote me either letter or card after receiving my letter from New Orleans. You could not possibly realize how much I appreciated each one and what encouragement I received from them all.

We found Shanghai—which before the war was the fifth port of the world—apparently striving to outdo its former accomplishments. Warships of many types were anchored in the stream, while freighters laden with Western goods and U.N.R.R.A. supplies, filled all docks. While these ships were arriving in China with heavy cargoes from the West, they were returning to their home countries empty, because the high cost of production here prevented the purchase of Chinese goods.

The river and ocean traffic was so congested and the labourers were in such control of affairs that the port authorities were in difficulty. The customs' report showed that during the month of May 28,000,000 Chinese dollars' worth of goods were pilfered from incoming freight on the Shanghai docks.

The city itself never appeared more prosperous. The shops were filled to capacity with Eastern and Western goods of all kinds. Things that could not be procured in Toronto for years were there in abundance for those who had the money to pay for them. No longer did boys and girls run up to you to tell you in English of their hard lot—"no mamma, no papa, no motor car."

The prosperity observed in Shanghai has been apparent in every place I have visited so far. Here in Honan I can illustrate this by the present conditions of the hen. Before the war it took a hen one hundred working days to make one dollar. Today, without expending any more effort she makes over one hundred dollars in every working day!

Without doubt money is plentiful. Government printing presses belch it forth over the country and designate each strip of paper with a definite price—1,000, 2,000, 500 and so on. Those who can get hold of such paper are prosperous. Those who cannot—and these include a great many of our Christian people—are finding life very difficult. What matters it to a merchant if goods double their cost over night, as often happen? He just doubles his selling price and makes more than ever on the deal. Converting Chinese prices into Canadian currency, ordinary food is not so very much higher than at home but other things are generally from two to four and some many times higher.

Since coming, I have spent a few weeks both in Kweiteh and Kaifeng. In Kweiteh the hospital is still doing the excellent work that under Dr. Joseph Hsu it has done during all the war years. In Kaifeng, the Yu Chung Middle School (the successor to old St. Andrew's and St. Mary's) was getting into good shape again under the superintendence of Mr. Oliver Wang and Miss Howard. Most of the Churches in the Eastern Archdeaconry were very much hampered in their work by either Communist occupation or activity.

As you know, I am Archdeacon of the western part of the diocese, so I have come back to live in Chengchou, the city where my wife and I lived during the war. The city had a population of 180,000 before the war, but it gradually deteriorated until by the time we left, it was less than 20,000. The place is now full to overflowing, with a population of about 200,000. On arrival here I found not one single article of any kind of our former belongings, and the house itself in a most miserable state after its occupation by various bands of Japanese and later Chinese soldiers. Masons and carpenters have been doing their utmost to put it in good shape before the winter. The parish church also suffered greatly from its time of occupation, being with very little of its former furniture.

But notwithstanding these things, I praise the Lord that I found a congregation full of life and activity and a pastor whose spiritual life has been but deepened during years of hardship. I was given a big welcome by the people and it is certainly a privilege to be back here among them. The Chengchou Parish is like a big family, welded together by the things they suffered and a common experience of a Saviour Whose grace has proved

"sufficient." The Sunday congregation fills the church. Even after aisles and chancel steps are occupied, others have to sit or stand outside. Who would not delight to preach the gospel of God's love and power to such a company!

While on furlough I was given by many of you who will be receiving this letter small sums of money to use here at my discretion. I want you to know that your kindness has saved me many a heartache and has been a help to many a person. Yesterday a delightful old motherly woman came to see me. She has just entered the catechumenate and is preparing now for baptism. She is seventy-two years old and tries to support herself and her husband, who is eighty-six and confined to bed, by spinning cotton thread and selling it. Under present conditions a day's spinning could not provide the two of them more than one poor meal. From now on she will be selling a certain type of bread on the street which ought to enable her to make enough for two meals per day. It is a very few dollars of your money that is setting her up in this little life-saving business. She has a very thankful heart and so have I.

Now for a bit of sentiment. In our family at home the afternoon tea tradition is firmly implanted. But what is the value of an afternoon cup of tea here if you have to drink it alone? So I have not been taking it. However, a few Sundays ago I felt its need. I made a good pot of Salada and then for companionship I brought out the letters that had come the previous day—one from Mrs. Ottley, of Edmonton, one from Rev. George Spriggs, Lachute; one from Mrs. Simms, Grandmere, and two from my wife, Toronto. And so the table was "furnished with guests" and together we had a very nice time of tea hour fellowship.

I tell you these little incidents to convince you of how much your sympathetic interest, support, and I do trust your prayer, means to your representatives out here. Let us all be together real "co-workers with God." A letter that came to me yesterday from a student in whom I am interested, closed in this way—"God with our in each together." The English might be improved but not the idea.

May you all have a very happy Christmas, and may the coming year be one rich in blessing and good service for our blessed Master.

Yours faithfully, in His name,

GEORGE A. ANDREW.

The Temperance Cause---Its Present Position and Prospects

By THE VISCOUNTESS SNOWDEN

The outlook for the Temperance Movement is thought to be a little more hopeful now than in the last Parliament. It has need to be. It became increasingly clear as time went on that nothing whatever was to be expected from the War Government which would lessen the drink evil or protect the nation's youth. The conduct of the Coalitionists in respect of this evil was such as to amount almost to collusion with the drink traffic. Those who are doubtful of the accuracy of this statement may refer to HANSARD, but can also read the speech of the Rev. J. Brice, M.A., published in pamphlet form by the United Kingdom Alliance. The unchallenged facts have there been summarized. And there are many others which might have been included.

The new parliament is said to contain a far larger number than the old one of members with temperance sympathies; and several members of the government are known to be total abstainers. Will these men and women treat this grave question with seriousness, or will they regard it as secondary to the importance of raising revenue to pay for the war and for the schemes of social betterment which the new parliament has in view. Almost six hundred million pounds was spent in intoxicating liquors last year. Are we to go on spending annually that vast sum on something which men are better without whilst Europe starves?

That is the question exercising the minds of true educators and reformers, as well as many plain citizens who are gravely anxious about the rising generation.

In reply I would place the responsibility for the issue where it rightly belongs—on the voters. What they wish in sufficient numbers will be done. If they care enough they can make their representatives act rightly, whether on national or local bodies. If they are willing to give themselves a proper nuisance value where necessary by persistently demanding right action in politics, legislators who cannot be convinced in the ordinary way of the high importance of the Temperance Cause, might be persuaded because of the "much asking." If his opinions on this question are made part of the appraisal of his character and fitness the average M.P. can be brought to think on these things, or

so I so I believe. Of course, the whole political business could be dismissed with a shrug of the shoulders if only we could persuade people to abstain. There lies the crux of the whole matter; but the busy trade, working with unwearied ardour for its profits, makes drinkers faster than we can unmake them by reiterated fact and plain, irrefutable logic. It boasted through the lips of one of its less discreet supporters that it would make millions of young people drink, moderately, no doubt, who had never known the taste of drink before. The war gave it the opportunity and it took it. We need no figures about the sorrowful number of young people who now frequent public houses to drink. We have the witness of our own eyes, alas, in neglected children, ruined homes, unfaithfulness, illegitimacy, syphilis, crime, the horrible lowering of standards all round which inevitably goes with this new, bad habit.

Meanwhile we have to prepare a fight, through the ballot-box, as in other ways, to win some release from that tyranny of the Liquor Trade which even now is gathering its forces for new attacks upon youth. Let us watch the proposed new Community Centres and Youth Clubs and strenuously resist the attempts which will be made to spoil these from the start.

The steady, educational work of making known the facts about the use of alcohol as a beverage must go on. Our efforts of this sort must be redoubled, indeed quadrupled. Youth itself must be asked to assist in its own deliverance. New methods of approach must be adopted. The war has filled the veins of youth with the hot blood of adventurous living. Youth will never consent willingly to live dully and safely. Though our young men and women are a little weary now after the long years of warfare and are eager to be home, the lust for adventure is certain to revive. Can we convince them that the battle for decency and self-respect is well worth fighting? Can we make them feel that to abstain from the brain-poisoning, nerve-destroying drug and help others to abstain can be a high adventure calling for the best that is in them? Can we make them believe to refuse to drink strong drinks is not to be cowardly but brave, not weak but strong, not mean, nor un-

sociable, nor eccentric?—that it means health and strength, clear thinking and successful competing both for individual and nation.

Those who train for success in sport do not drink. Those who would achieve distinction in scholarship must not drink. Those who have skilled work calling for precision should not drink. Those who drive machines, pilot airplanes or sail ships ought not to drink. Judgment, fine as a razor edge, is called for in this modern, competitive world, and the true patriot loves and serves his country in peace as in war.

And what of that freedom for which men believe themselves to have fought? Is it not for ever true that "true freedom is to share all the ills our brothers bear, and with dauntless heart to be earnest to make others free?" As true as that other passionate song of the same poet of democracy:

"They are slaves who will not choose
Hatred, scoffing and abuse;
They are slaves who dare not be
In the right with two or three.

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CHALLENGE

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new."

And we must face the problem of today
With steadfast heart, unclouded mind,
Press toward the goal, forgetting all behind
In which we've failed: seek out a way
To conquer evil and uphold the right.
Each generation has its foes to fight.
What do we face? What ills hold
rampant sway?

Two enemies, at least, uprear their
heads—

Mammon, almighty dollar, with its
power,

And Mars, the deadly serpent of the
hour;

No washing of our economic hands will
be enough,

No sadding of our governmental face,
We must strike deeper, to the very root,
If we would be a truly Christian race.

This "Group called Christian" must its
armour don

And mass its power against the force of
wrong,

United, earnest, counting all else dross,
Willing to pay the price—yes, e'en a
cross!

—ISABEL HEARN.

Rural Deanery of Edmonton

ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

The Very Rev. A. M. Trendell

The Cathedral is now entirely free from outstanding debts and this happy occasion was celebrated on April 28th at a Social in the Parish Hall, at which there were about one hundred members of the congregation present. The W.A. kindly served refreshments and a social programme was arranged and enjoyed by everybody.

We are very happy to welcome the Reverend H. W. Buchner as Assistant to the Dean, and his Ordination on Sunday, May 11th, will long be remembered as one of the most beautiful services ever held in All Saints' Cathedral. After a brief holiday he will begin his duties on June 1st.

The Confirmation Class of twenty-three members was presented for Confirmation on Ascension Day, May 15th and will receive their first Communion on Whitsunday. While Confirmation preparation is an exacting task, we always feel sorry when this time is over. There are few things that can be happier than the fellowship of people who are gathered together for the purpose of learning more about their Faith.

Our choir is busy preparing for the Provincial Musical Festival and we wish them the best of luck on Wednesday, May 21st.

The Cathedral Building Fund now stands at \$18,800.00 and while recent progress in this matter has been slow, owing to commitments promised for the A.A.A., yet the Building Fund Committee are active, and are awaiting an early opportunity to forward this very necessary project.

The Women's Auxiliary report that plans are being made to hold a Garden Party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Lefroy, 9747 107th Street, Wednesday, June 25th. Home cooking will be sold and donations from the congregation will be most helpful and appreciated.

A very successful Tea netted the Cathedral Evening Group \$105.00. Thanks to all who helped.

The West End Group are bidding "bon voyage" to one of its members Mrs. J. Jones, who is sailing the middle of June on the "Aquitania" for an extended visit to England.

In the fall a Rummage Sale is to be held, the date to be October 30th. Would the ladies of the congregation please save suitable articles of clothing etc., from spring cleaning. For information with regard to picking up parcels please phone 21800 or 74496.

Then also the date of our Christmas Bazaar is set for Nov. 21st.

Our last business meeting before the holiday season will be held June 3rd, meetings to be resumed in September.

CHRIST CHURCH

The Rev. E. S. Ottley

Summer is almost here, but we are gratified to see how well our people are still attending the services of the Church. It is a great encouragement to us all to feel that awareness of the things that matter reflected in the fellowship of the Church at worship.

We are hoping that our annual Confirmation Service may be held early in June. You will receive further notice of this.

The "Advance" booklets that are now being distributed are proving to be a great help to the congregation, in providing a background of information about the faith and practice of the Church. We are sorry that our supply of the "Parish Question-Box" has been sold out, but further copies will be on hand as soon as they have been printed. There are still a few copies of "An Anglican Ideal of Church Membership" and "Our Heritage in the Prayer Book".

I expect you will find in this issue of the "Churchman" some details of the various camps being held at Kapasiwin this summer. Please note that there are camps for all ages, so that every member of the family may profit by a holiday at the Church Camp.

The W.A. report that the Rummage Sale held recently was very successful. Plans are already under way and everyone working for the Christmas bazaar. The Fellowship of Prayer is to meet prior to Corporate Communion in the Church, Thursday, May 15th. The annual Spring Tea is to take place May 30th in the Parish hall, when we hope to see all of our friends.

The Jr. W.A. under the able supervision of Mrs. M. L. Barker and Mrs. E. Foster are busy preparing for the Festival. The Rev. E. S. Ottley presented the girls with their membership cards at a recent meeting. The Senior W. A. are assisting in the making of uniforms for the Juniors.

Our A.Y.P.A. seem to be as active as ever. On the last Sunday in April they attended evening service at St. Faith's which was followed by a fireside hour in the hall, the following Sunday evening the young people from St. Luke's, St. Peter's and St. Faith's were guests at Christ Church. Spring brought to a close the bowling season, with a banquet in McDougall Church when four of our members received crests for good attendance. Other activities of our group include a Theatre party, a

talk by Mr. Ottley and an open discussion on the various occupations. The regular monthly Corporate Communion followed by breakfast was as usual, very well attended.

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Memorial Parish Hall: A Congregational Meeting on May 9th approved the plan suggested by the Vestry, and also the recommendation that work be commenced as soon as 60% of the cost is in hand. An appeal for \$25,000 is to be launched on Trinity Sunday, June 1st, when the Rector and Wardens will sit in the Church to receive donations from the Congregation. Others will be canvassed during June.

The congregation also voted to install a group of three stained glass windows as a War Memorial.

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Visit of Miss Miller: We were delighted to have Miss Miller address our evening congregation on May 18. She is also to speak on Wed., May 21, and be the guest of honour at a reception on May 22 at the home of Mrs. May.

W.A.: A very pleasant afternoon was spent at the home of Mrs. W. Hammett on April 29th, when the members of the W.A. gathered to say 'farewell' to Mrs. Molloy, who has now left for England. The Diocesan Board Meeting is to be held here on June 6th. Plans are underway for the annual Garden Party to be held at the Rectory grounds on June 18th.

Parish Guild: The Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Livingstone on May 26th, when arrangements will be made for the Garden Party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hawe on Wed., June 11th.

Young Women's Fellowship: The Mothers' Day Tea proved a great success, and a large number of parishioners and friends attended. Moving pictures on India were shown at the last meeting, through the courtesy of Imperial Oil Ltd.

Mother's Union: At the May Meeting at Mrs. Hutchinson's home a reading on 'Okinawa' was given by Mrs. Wood. The June meeting is to be at the home of Mrs. Marshall.

Men's Club: The closing meeting of the season is to take place May 19th, when, after the business meeting pictures by the Imperial Oil Co. will be shown to the congregation.

Choir: Mrs. R. Molloy attended a recent practice when refreshments were served and a presentation made to her by Mr. Walton, Choir President. The Choir sponsored a concert in aid of the Parish Hall Fund, and there was a fine response. Both Senior and Teen Choirs will take part in the Alberta Musical Festival.

Sunday School: A large number of children wrote the annual G.B.R.E. examinations. The Sunday School choir, numbering twenty six, has been busy practising for the Festival under the direction of Miss E. Joudrey. The Sunday School choir also sang at the recent Choir concert.

A.Y.P.A.: Several firesides have been held after Evensong, and an evening hike took place along the river bank. Several members have had house parties to raise funds for the Hall.

Sanctuary Guild: Almost every member was present for the Corporate Communion on Ascension Day.

ST. JOHN'S

The Rev. W. E. Harrison

St. John's is again in the throes of its building programme. The old church has been completely dismantled, leaving only the new building commenced last year, and the Parish hall. As this is being written, the foundation for the

continuation of the Church is being laid, and we hope that by August it will be ready for use. In the meantime services are being held in the somewhat limited accommodation still at our disposal.

On Saturday afternoon, April 26th, Miss Grace Williams held a party in the Parish Hall for the members of the Little Helpers' Group. The children attended with their mothers and enjoyed a happy time with games and refreshments.

We were happy to welcome to St. John's the members of the Sunday School Teachers' Association on Tuesday evening, May 6th. Following supper which was served in the Parish hall, the group assembled in the Church for a short service, and to listen to a most inspiring address by the Bishop. The Bishop spoke on, "The Place of Corporate Worship in the Christian Education of Youth", and presented a great challenge to everyone present.

On Wednesday, May 7th, a class of nine adults was presented to the Bishop for confirmation and again on Sunday evening, May 11th we were privileged to have the Bishop with us for a service of Confirmation at which ten young people were confirmed. The latter class included June Comach, Shirley Comach, Edith Skitch, Florence Fishleigh, Mary Knowles, Patricia Smith, John Werry, Warren Smith, George Weatherill, and Bill Adams.

Some fourteen members of our Sunday School wrote the annual Sunday School examinations set by the G.B.R.E.

ST. MARK'S

The Rev. A. Elliott

The inside of our Parish Hall looks resplendent in its new coat of paint. Many have congratulated the W.A. on this endeavor.

The Parish Hall provided a gay welcome to the members of the quarterly Board meeting. About eighty-five women attended. It was held on St. Mark's day. The members of the Evening Group assisted the W.A. in serving.

On May 22nd a successful tea and sale of home cooking was sponsored by the W.A. They are anticipating an-

other on June 19th. We hope everyone will try to attend this midsummer affair, as it will mark the closing of the season.

Both the Junior and Girls' W.A. are preparing to enter the city festival competitions, to be held May 31st.

We wish to thank Miss Mary Coles and Mrs. Cooper, who are playing the organ, until a permanent leader is found.

On April 30th, thirteen candidates were confirmed by Bishop Barfoot. It was indeed gratifying to see such a large congregation attending this inspiring service.

The Cubs attended the city rally on May 3rd. They are avid baseball players, and won their first game of the season against the 23rd pack. Teddy Johns is coaching them.

Recently the A.Y.P.A. held their election of officers. Brian Hope was elected President; Dorothy Hudson, Vice-President; Isobel Stewart, Secretary; Alex. Keen, Treasurer. Council representatives are Dorothy Spooner and Patsy Walsh. The members have formed a baseball team and are diligently practicing.

A wedding of interest to both St. Peter's and St. Mark's was that of Joan Olive, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Cawley, and Mr. Rodney Wilson Edgecombe, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Edgecombe. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. Elliott and the Rev. R. S. Faulks. Choirs of both churches sang, with Mr. Harry Taylor as organist.

We are grateful to Archdeacon Tackaberry, and Mr. H. Bladon for taking our services while our rector was sick.

We are glad to welcome back from hospital Mrs. E. Hayden and Mr. H. Bromley.

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ST. MARY'S

The Rev. W. T. Eikin

April 18th marked the first in a series of parish socials sponsored by the various church organizations. The first Social was put on by the Vestry and was a real success. Moving pictures were presented through the courtesy of the Imperial Oil Co.. Miss L. Davies was heard in two vocal selections, accompanied by Miss M. Robinson, and the thoroughly enjoyable evening concluded with lunch.

The second of these get-togethers is being sponsored by the Men's Club on May 19th. Those of us who know the Men's Club can rest assured of a second friendly and happy evening together. Everyone interested in St. Mary's, do come along and meet us. We particularly would like to meet the newer members; we know the former members will fall in line.

The Men's Club spent an evening of interest when they visited the City Power Plant and Waterworks Dept. Another evening was spent in cleaning and tidying the grounds around the Church.

Mr. Elkin and Mr. R. T. Williams were among the delegates to the Provincial Synod held in Winnipeg, April 23-25. At the following Sunday morning service Mr. Williams gave a most interesting account of the Synod from the layman's point of view. This was followed in the evening by the clergyman's viewpoint as given by the rector.

The children of the Sunday School were entertained to a series of moving pictures held in the parish hall the evening of April 25th. Representatives of St. Mary's at the Annual banquet and meeting of the Sunday School Teachers' Association held this year at St. John's were Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. T. M. White.

The A.Y.P.A. members are heartily thanked for their canvass on behalf of the "Edmonton Churchman" subscriptions. St. Mary's A.Y. entertained St. Luke's A.Y. at a "Fireside Hour" held after the evening service, May 11.

The Evening Group of the W.A. entertained members of the parish and their friends at a card party held in the Parish Hall on May 7th. A most enjoyable evening is reported from those present.

The two W.A. groups and the Girls' and Junior Girls' Auxiliaries are meeting the evening of Thursday, May 22nd to hear an address by Miss Jessie Miller, Anglican missionary from Kangra, India.

The confirmation service has been arranged for Tuesday, June 10th, at 8 p.m. It is asked that the seven young people and the six adults to be confirmed, be remembered in your prayers and that you support them by your presence at this memorable service.

The Afternoon Group of the W.A. will hold a tea on June 4th from 3-5

p.m. at the home of Mrs. T. H. Field, 6010 Jasper Ave. Support of each of you and your friends is requested.

Wedding: April 19th, Betty Elaine Steele to William Chimki.

Baptisms: April 13th, Barnucka Smith; May 4th, Sherrill Joan Scott; May 11th, Richard Webb Barker, Wendy Lynne Thoms, Marguerite Edith Thoms.

ST. FAITH'S

The Rev. L. M. Watts

The Rector attended the Provincial Synod of Rupert's Land held in Winnipeg, April 23rd to 25th. He reported a strenuous three days, with much accomplished and much to think about.

On Sunday, April 27th, the Rev. H. S. Brant conducted the morning service and Mr. E. Currey gave the address at Evensong. Our thanks to these gentlemen for helping in the absence of the Rector.

The Sunday School Exams were written May 4th and pupils are now waiting the results.

The Sanctuary Guild held their regular meeting on May 16th. Guild members have been busy making veils for the Confirmation Class and these were finished at this meeting.

Senior W.A. members are busy with final plans for the tea to be held in the Hudson Bay's Empire Room, Friday, May 30th. Articles suitable for wedding and shower gifts will be found among the aprons and fancy work. A table of delicious home cooking will also be on sale. Dresses for the Wabasca bale are nearly all made, and have been returned to the Dorcas Secretary.

The Evening Group enjoyed the visit and talk of Mrs. Gutteridge and hope she will pay a return call soon.

The Church Boys' League will be closing at the end of May for the summer. The members and their leaders attended church in a group on Mother's Day, May 11th.

The Juniors and Girls are working hard on the Festival work, and will have more to report in June.

ST. PETER'S

The Rev. R. S. Faulks

The W.A. provided a delicious supper for the Scouts and Cubs, and their Fathers, which no doubt was a big help in making the following meeting so successful. Four men volunteered to work on the Committee to look after the affairs of the Pack and Troop. Special mention should be made of the Cub leader, Mrs. Hornung, and also Mrs. Hall, who were chiefly responsible for planning and arranging the evening.

The Choir had great pleasure in entertaining the cast of the Operetta from Fort Saskatchewan at tea, after the presentation in the Westmount Community Hall. The whole audience

thoroughly enjoyed the performance, and felt that all the cast should be proud of their work. There was a fairly large audience, but it could have been much better. There will be many who will regret having missed a very fine and most enjoyable evening's entertainment.

We were happy to have the Guides and Brownies in Church on Empire Youth Sunday, and to share with them the joy of God's House, and to spend a little time considering our privileges

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and responsibilities as citizens of Canada and the Commonwealth.

Several of the Sunday School young folk wrote the annual tests, and it is hoped that they will be pleased with the effort. Right now, a word of appreciation to our Teachers who have rendered steady and faithful service to the parish and the Church at large, by the sense of duty to their work and the children, all through the current study year. Thank you teachers, we are grateful for all you have done!

GOOD SHEPHERD

The Sea Scouts had a most successful concert in the School auditorium, some time ago, and do very much appreciate the support given them, both by actors and audience. The proceeds have made a worthwhile addition to the funds, and will enable the boys to obtain a lot of needed equipment.

The Sea Scouts and the Guides attended the service on Empire Youth Sunday. It was good to hear them sing and we trust they went away, having received a blessing from worship in this little sanctuary, and also more deeply aware of their heritage in this land, and Commonwealth.

The Sunday School shared in the annual writing of tests on the current lessons, and will be anxious to know the results of their efforts. It is hoped that these will be printed in the next issue of this publication. Members of the parish, and parents of the youngsters wish to share in a word of appreciation to the Teachers for their faithful service and interest throughout the current year. Thank you teachers for all your good work!

ST. STEPHEN'S

The Rev. C. E. F. Wolff

A campaign to raise \$1,000 for restoration of St. Stephen's, Edmonton, was initiated at the May meeting of the vestry, when it was decided to appeal not only to the parishioners but to St. Stephen's numerous friends in the city and diocese of Edmonton.

The campaign does not contemplate any additions to the existing fabric of the church, but simply necessary repairs which have had to be postponed year after year on account of lack of funds. Foremost and most urgent amongst these is repair of the roof whose leaking has wrought havoc to the plaster over a long time. Next in order of what the wardens and vestry consider urgency is the redecoration of the church hall, the basement of the building and other urgent work. The wardens will be pleased to receive donations from any friends.

In the meantime voluntary workers from the congregation have carried out a number of repairs and refurbishing by their own labour, notably the long needed partitioning of the choir robing room.

The excellent work of the choir was heard at its best at the Whitsunday

and Trinity Eucharists, and at the Ascension Day Evensong.

The Bishop of Edmonton will confirm a class of candidates on 22nd June, and the first communion for these will follow on St. Peter's Day, Sunday the 29th. Candidates will be examined by the Bishop before confirmation on 9th June, and parents of the candidates are invited to attend the examination.

Mrs. J. Walsh, Dorcas superintendent, held a lovely Easter tea and shower at her home. The tables were tastefully decorated with tall tapers and snapdragons. Mrs. C. E. F. Wolff and Mrs. T. Jones poured tea. Mrs. J. C. Slater served.

The Altar Guild has decided to procure new green vestments and an Altar frontal. The guild served breakfast to those who attended the 7 o'clock Eucharist on Ascension Day.

The church school, whose year will close on June 29th, shows an increase attendance, and through the summer months an open session will be held at 10 o'clock each Sunday morning.

Still missing from our meetings is Mrs. Petherbridge, whom we send out most sincere wishes for a really speedy recovery.

Rural Deanery of Pembina

ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON

On Saturday, May 4th, Bishop Barfoot held a Confirmation service here; there were three candidates: Patricia Botrakoff, Glenn Matheson and David Laurence. The Bishop also dedicated the Credence table which was placed in the Church at Christmas in memory of the late James W. Gregg.

There was a large congregation to enjoy the beautiful service, and the Bishop's inspiring address. Following the service, a farewell tea was held in the Parish Hall, in honour of Canon and Mrs. W. de V. A. Hunt, who left the following Monday for their new parish at Guelph, Ont. Canon Hunt was presented with a purse on behalf of the congregation, and Mrs. Hunt was given a farewell present by the members of the W.A. Canon and Mrs. Hunt will always be remembered for most conscientious and faithful work, in which they were always unsparing of themselves. They will be greatly missed throughout the district, and we can only follow them with our good wishes, and hope that Canon Hunt's health may be greatly improved by the

ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

Services are held on the second and fourth Sundays. The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. N. Allin with six members present. Mrs. Allin gave a reading on India and Mrs. Moss read some interesting facts about China.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Moss, when the Imaginary Tea money will be given in.

ST. GEORGE'S, FORT SASK.

The Rev. W. W. Buxton

Members of the congregation saw the culmination of two months of hard work when the operetta "Jeanie" was presented at different points of the diocese this month. The points played were Gibbons, Fort, Westmount Community Hall, Edmonton, Bon Accord and All Saints'. The enthusiasm of the members of the cast is a proof of the joy and congeniality each individual has found in working together to present a musical score with such a high standard of proficiency.

All the proceeds of the operetta will be placed in the Church building fund of which we will have more news next month.

change of climate, and the lessening of rigors in connection with his large country district here.

The Bishop conducted the Sunday morning service, at which the newly confirmed took their first Communion. There was a large attendance.

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The Rev. T. C. B. Boon

The Cub Pack paraded to the morning service on April 27th, being the nearest Sunday to St. George's Day, and their general smartness, particularly that of the Colour Party, is to be commended. The Lessons were read by the Cubmasters, Mr. C. R. Hudson and son, John, and this is something which we hope to see repeated. The Morning Service on May 11th included the Baptism of Edward Bruce Wachter, and the Lessons were read by his paternal grandfather, Mr. W. L. Wachter. It is very nice and helpful to have the assistance of the Wardens and Vestrymen in reading the Lessons, and we were particularly glad to have Mr. Wachter do so on this occasion.

The proceeds of the Pyramid Boxes in Lent this year amounted to \$11.42, and considering that we have a smaller Sunday School this year, this was very good. 14 members of the Senior Sunday School wrote the G.B.R.E. examinations of the 4th of May. The Sunday School Picnic will be held on June 28th this year.

The Senior W.A., partly with the aid of private subscriptions, have purchased 22 chairs for the Parish Hall; these will be of great help as we were getting very short of chairs. Under the direction of Mrs. Skett, Dorcas Secretary, the work of this Department is getting well under way. The members of the Senior W.A. have planned a Tea to be held on June 4th at the home of Mrs. Skett, the proceeds of which are to be divided between Elizabeth House and St. John's House.

The E.B.W.A. is also busy on Dorcas Work, they have also recently packed their spring Social Service bale. Mrs. F. A. McComas was elected First Vice-President at the Meeting on May 12th, replacing Mrs. J. Ward who felt it necessary to resign this office. Miss Ruth Atkinson was elected Social Service Secretary at the Meeting of April 28th. The E.B.W.A. has sent \$5.00 to their Prayer Partner, Miss May Stockford, missionary at Colinton, to start a set of china for the new Mission House there.

The G.A. had their examinations for the Nursing Course, and the three girls, Shirley Clark, Shirley Hillsworth and Marjorie Clarke, all passed successfully both in theory and practice. Bernice Thrasher passed in theory. Congratulations girls, and congratulations and thanks to their instructor, Mrs. R. Douglas, who has put in long and faithful service with the girls. For the rest of the season, the G.A. will be under the leadership of Miss Irene Phay. The latest achievement of this group has been to paint the tables and benches in the Parish Hall a bright cheering green, many thanks for the good work girls!

A J.B.W.A. Service was held on May 14th in the Church, at which 2 new members were admitted, and the

awards for the season's work presented. The singing of the girls was particularly nice at this Service; Mrs. Heckley was kind enough to play the organ on this occasion. It was a kindly thought on the part of the girls and their leader, Mrs. Peterson, to take around baskets of flowers to 'shut-ins' on May Day; the girls made and decorated the baskets themselves.

Armed with rakes, shovels and a wheelbarrow, the Cubs made a fine 'clean-up' of the grounds of the old Church and Parish Hall, and of the grounds of the Church itself on the evening of April 30th. We thank them and appreciate the enthusiastic and co-operative leadership of Mr. Hudson and John.

It was with very sincere regret that we learned of the passing on of Mr. F. A. Jackman in Victoria on April 28th. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs. Jackman in her sorrow.

It was very nice to see Mrs. Jackson back in Jasper, if only for a few days; we have missed her in the Choir and the W.A. during the past winter.

ST. LUKE'S, CLYDE

The Rev. D. V. A. Browne

St. Luke's W.A. held their regular meeting on May 3rd at the home of Mrs. Groombridge with a very good attendance.

We were all happy our Vicar was able to be at the meeting.

Plans were made to hold a Tea May 17th in the Legion Hut, and we are hoping the weather man will be kind to us. Considerable work has been done towards a Bazaar but owing to the busy season being upon us it was decided to wait until fall before putting on the Bazaar and supper. All members will keep on working for this. Our next meeting will be in the form of a quilting party to be held 1st Saturday in June at the home of Mrs. Jones.

Sorry to report Mrs. Fry is in hospital, but glad to say she will soon be home again.

ST. JOHN'S, ONOWAY

Canon J. C. Matthews

The members of the Vestry are to be congratulated on the success of the Whist Parties which have been held on behalf of the Building Fund. On each occasion the hall was filled to overflowing into the kitchen.

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Miss Onions was a visitor at the Vicarage for a day or two and seemed very happy to meet so many old friends.

Stewart Robert was married on May 3rd to Miss A. M. Flolick of Whitecourt. The reception after the wedding was at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robert's home.

Plans are being made to hold the Dedication Festival of St. John's Church in June.

ALL SAINTS', SEBA BEACH

Services are held regularly now on Sunday evening by Lay Reader Mr. Warren, and once a month on a Thursday night and Friday morning by Canon Matthews. The Church has been completed outside with siding and white paint, and looks extremely well.

Mr. Laurence has finished the pulpit with veneer and made a fine job.

The church is well supplied with seating accommodation thanks to the generous gift of Mr. Muttart.

A radio was installed on Easter Sunday morning in the church bringing the service from All Saints' Cathedral to the congregation. The reception was perfect and immensely appreciated.

Sincere thanks are due to the people of St. Catherine's Church at Edson for the gift of an Altar and Frontals.

There is much regret at Seba for the departure from the Diocese of the Rev. Canon Hunt and Mrs. Hunt. Canon Hunt has given freely of his time to hold services at the new church.

It is hoped that services may be held in the near future at **St. Peter's Church at Brookdale.**

St. Timothy's Church at Calahoo has received a gift of a Font and Lectern.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CADOMIN

Rev. T. W. Teape

The Women's Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Coppinger on May 7th with eight members present. The representatives to the meeting, regarding the play ground undertaking, gave their reports. Our W. A. have pledged twenty-five dollars for this project.

The vases ordered at our last W.A. meeting have now arrived and add further to the beauty of our church.

At a recent Vestry meeting it was decided to decorate the interior of the rectory and money was voted for paint.

The church grounds have been measured off and we hope that work will soon be started on the fence.

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ST. SAVIOUR'S, VERMILION

The Ven. W. Leversedge

On Thursday, May 15th, Ascension Day, we were delighted at having the opportunity of meeting Miss Jessie Miller.

Miss Miller stopped off in Vermilion, visiting friends on her way to Edmonton from the east, and very kindly agreed to speak to the members of the W.A. We held a Service in the Church which was attended also by members of the W.M.S. of the United Church. The Lesson was read by the Rev. Sinclair Reikie of the United Church, a long standing friend of Miss Miller. We were especially glad to welcome many members of the W.M.S. who came from Islay for the occasion.

The Archdeacon introduced Miss Miller, who gave us a very interesting and informative talk on the work in Palampur and Kangra. Following the service most of those present gathered at the rectory for refreshments and an opportunity of asking questions about the many-sided work of the Mission. **Junior W.A.**

On Sunday morning, April 27th at the family service the Juniors received their membership cards from the Rector. On Monday at their meeting they received their arm bands. They have now earned their first stripe, and will be getting them at their next meeting. They are indebted to the Happy Hour Group for inviting them to have a White Elephant and Candy Stall at their sale, and the results far exceeded their expectations.

Happy Hour Group, Vermilion

In March members of the Happy Hour Group covered some of Church Kneeling Forms. In April preparations for our sale were in full swing, some material was handed out, and finished products were priced. At the last meeting of the month final arrangements for the sale were made.

The Annual spring sale was held on Saturday, May 3rd. It was very successful, and a good sum was realized.

CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

The Rev. Vincent P. Cole

The Christ Church Boy Scout Troop held a very successful Tea and Sale of Work in the Parish Hall on Saturday, April 19th.

The regular meeting of the Christ Church W.A. was held in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, May 6th. Following the order of business the ladies had a Quilting Bee.

A social evening was held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, May 7th. At the close of the evening, presentations were made to Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Morrison and Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Lugg.

The Young People held a meeting in the Parish Hall, on Tuesday, May 13th. Plans were made to sponsor a Dance in aid of the Parish Hall Fund. It is hoped that the Young People will be able to raise enough money to have the Hall stuccoed.

Holy Matrimony: May 8th, Martin Anton Kenzie to Beatrice Winnifred Tyler, Mannville.

WILBERFORCE

The W.A. meetings have been a little irregular during the past months due to road and weather conditions. However, our meeting of May 1st held at the home of Mrs. F. E. Elliott proved quite successful.

Mrs. Davies was elected as President; Vice-President, Mrs. Geo. Nash; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. H. Milburn.

We were pleased to welcome back Mrs. F. Davies who has been visiting in the U.S.A. for the past year. Previous to her departure Mrs. Davies had been our President for the past ten years. We all pledge our support for her eleventh term.

Twelve knitted scarves were turned in to complete our Dorcas requirements.

Mrs. L. Fulton was received as a new member.

We were all sorry to lose one of our most faithful members, Mrs. Robert Roy, who now resides in Edmonton.

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A farewell gift was presented to Mrs. Roy in token of her services.

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Holy Communion was celebrated, Sunday, May 11th, with 17 communicants present.

Let us all make a special endeavour to attend the summer services.

Holy Baptism: Beverly Ann, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Nash.

INNISFREE

Services will be held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month commencing next Sunday, May 11th at 9.45 a.m.

The W.A. held a very successful "Springtime" Tea in Mrs. Whitmore's home on April 19th.

Our W.A. was requested by the Musical Festival committee to help donate the cocoa for the lunch at the Festival and send two of our members to help serve at the noon hour. We were glad to co-operate and sent ten quarts of cocoa.

We are planning to make a quilt this month as part of our Dorcas work.

ST. ALBAN'S, CHAILEY

Church services are once more back to normal, being the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

The long delayed congregational meeting was held in the school on April 29th with practically everybody present. The Rev. V. P. Cole acted as chairman. The secretary outlined a few facts regarding our apportionment and financial standing. It was decided we accept the same apportionment as 1946. A committee, of four, Mesdames Sutton and Scott, and Messrs. Thomas and Ewers were selected to gather data of the history of the church when it was built in 1909 to the present day.

Mr. T. H. Rostron gave a brief report on the vestry meeting both wardens attended in Mannville. Mr. Cole explained how the financial end was conducted by Mannville in regard to the country points and how it was provided for.

The officers for 1947 are:

Vicar's Warden, W. R. Cornish; People's Warden, T. H. Rostron; Vestry, Mr. and Mrs. R. Scott, Mrs. M. Coulter, Mr. Hollyoake, Mr. Ewers, Mrs. Norman and Devon Coulter.

Finance com., Mrs. Thomas.

Delegate to Synod, W. R. Cornish.

A vote of thanks to Mr. H. Thomas retiring secretary was given for twelve years of office.

Kathleen Sutton was elected for 1947.

W. A. News:

A very successful bazaar and tea was held in Mannville parish hall, April 26th, netting us \$136.71. We

would like to take this opportunity to thank our many friends for their support.

The May W. A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Jackson on May 7 with fifteen members and two visitors present. Mrs. F. P. Saint was chosen delegate to Vermilion deanery a report of years work being prepared for her by the secretary. The W. A. passed a motion to make up any deficit of the church offertory enough to pay Mannville every three months if it met with the approval of the vestry.

On Sunday, May 11th, the first vestry meeting for 1947 was held after service with Mr. Cole presiding and five of the vestry, the two wardens and the secretary present. The vestry accepted with thanks the offer of the W.A. to make up the deficit in the offertory for quarterly payments of our Mannville apportionment. W. R. Cor-

nish was made chairman of a committee to prepare ground for the planting of trees round the church yard.

ST. JOHN'S, KITSCOTY

The Rev. W. J. Brant.

On May 4th, the Rev. W. J. Brant came for our monthly service. His sermon was on Peace and fitted in well with our thoughts for the ladies of the Canadian Legion had sent flowers for the altar in memory of two of the lads who gave their lives in the last war. Twenty-four were present and we all thoroughly enjoyed our service.

On May 8th we had our regular monthly meeting of the W.A. Our hostess was our oldest member, Mrs. Batty. We much regretted the absence of our President and Secretary but held our meeting with Mrs. Apperson presiding and Mrs. Joy acting as secretary.

Rural Deanery of Wainwright

WAINWRIGHT

The Rev. F. E. Smith.

A.Y.P.A. On April 13th the A.Y.P.A. sponsored a special young people's service. The greater part of the service was taken by the members. Those taking part were Mr. Roland Wilkins, Mr. A. Coleman, Miss Elsie Horn, Miss Marjorie Cofield, R.N., Mrs. Keith Fenby and Mr. Jimmy Pon acted as warden for the evening. We were all delighted at the way in which these young people took their various parts in the service and we look forward to another service of a similar nature.

On May 27th, the members of this group attended a corporate Communion Service. The service was followed by breakfast in the hall. The chef in charge of this excellent meal was Mr. Harry Stomme and we all agreed that he did an excellent job.

On May 5th the group held a farewell party for Mr. Jimmy Pon. He and his father, Mr. Fon Pon, are moving to Edmonton. We will all miss Jimmy, he has given of his best in the service of the A.Y. and our church.

The Vestry are planning to paint the church inside and out and also to do some rather extensive repairs on the tower of the church. It has also been suggested that we build an ex-

tra cloak room on the north side of the tower to match the one on the south side, which is far too small. Of course the matter of finances enters into the picture, but we know that there are many generous people, who would just love to help in such a worthy cause.

The church grounds are now looking quite neat and tidy, thanks to twelve good men and true, who turned out the other evening with spades, rakes and various other implements of torture.

Senior W.A.: The Mother's Day tea, bazaar and sale of home cooking was

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a great success. The fact that Mrs. Guy Pigeon was acting as convener of the tea, meant that success was assured in that direction. The home cooking counter was filled with delicacies, which vanished in record time.

Mother's Day services were well attended and everyone appreciated the special hymns provided for that day, which strangely enough had not been used here before. Here is a verse from one of them:

"Faith of our mothers, living yet,
In cradle song and bedtime prayer,
In nursery love and fireside lore,
Thy presence still pervades the air.
Faith of our Mothers, living faith,
We will be true to thee till death."

The Junior W.A. have had a busy month getting ready for the bazaar, and also passing examinations for their first stripe. They are also preparing for the festival; in this connection they are receiving valuable help from Mrs. O. Griffiths.

The Sunday School: We were delighted to see Mrs. Hardy back with her class last Sunday after her illness. The Sunday School has lost, for the time being, a valuable teacher in Mrs. Dorothy Sutherland. We hope that she will soon be moving back into town.

Organist: Recently we welcomed Mr. Owen Griffiths as organist at the morning services. Mrs. June Cartier, who has given such valuable aid in this important work, has now accepted a position on the staff of the Wainwright hospital, and so finds it impossible to attend both services.

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

The Rev. E. N. P. Orme

The May 1st meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Barden with an attendance of ten. After the regular devotionals and correspondence the members decided to make a donation to Elizabeth House, and to pay the balance of the Apportionment. The members also decided to have a Sale of Home Cooking in Mr. Garford's Store on the afternoon of May 17th. This proved satisfactory and our thanks are extended to all who contributed or bought.

The Sunday School Lenten Box offerings of \$7.63 were applied to the Apportionment. All other Lenten Box offerings were used for the same purpose.

The Sunday School Scholars wrote their G.B.R.E. examinations in the Church Hall on May 3rd.

At Evensong on May 18th, a **Choir Copy Hymnal** donated by the Sunday School scholars was dedicated

On Ascension Day there was a celebration of Holy Communion at 10:00 a.m.

Do not forget to get a copy of "The Parish Question Box," "An Anglican Ideal of Church Membership," and "Our Heritage in the Prayer Book."

These three booklets priced at 25 cents each should be in every home and church library. They are well worth reading and will prove extremely helpful.

Services are as follows:

Tofield—June 15th at 7:30 p.m. and June 29th at 11 a.m.

Viking—June 22nd at 11 a.m. and June 29th at 7:30 p.m.

Kinsella—June 22nd at 3 p.m.

Lindbrook—June 15th at 11 a.m., and June 29th at 3 p.m.

RODINO

The Rev. E. P. N. Orme.

The weather has again been unfair to us, causing cancellation of one service since the last notes. This was to have been the Easter Communion and it will be some time before we are able to have another Communion service.

However, we had a good turnout on 27th April, using the Schoolhouse for the first time for some months and everyone enjoyed the Easter hymns and address.

The W.A. also had a good meeting at the home of Mrs. Rosie Vandervaete, planning things for the summer months. It is hoped the weather will favour this point particularly on Tuesday, 24th June, so that they will be able to send a good delegation to the Deanery W.A. Conference at Wainwright. Last year they were prevented from attending because of rain.

ST. PATRICK'S, HEATH

The Rev. W. D. Ellway.

After several months of inactivity we are very thankful to be able to report that we now have a resident priest as Rector. The Rev. W. Ellway, his wife and two small children, arrived in Edgerton from England the middle of April. On Sunday, April 20, at 11 a.m. the Ven. Archdeacon S. F. Tackaberry conducted the induction service at St. Patrick's Church. We

are quite pleased that it was at that service in our little church Mr. Ellway delivered his first address in Canada.

On the following Sunday after the morning service our Annual Congregational Meeting was held. The following officers were elected: Rector's Warden, Mr. Fred M. Ford; People's Warden, Mr. A. Patterson.

Vestry: Mr. T. Withnell, Mr. J. Bartlett, Mr. F. S. Ford, Mrs. R. Dahl, Mrs. T. Withnell and Mrs. F. S. Ford.

Secretary: Mrs. A. Patterson.

At our Annual Meeting there were enough ladies in favor of reorganizing the St. Patrick's W.A. On May 14 the ladies met at the church at 2 p.m. to hold an organization meeting. Officers elected: President, Mrs. F. M. Ford; Vice-President, Mrs. T. Withnell; Secretary Treasurer, Mrs. F. S. Ford.

We are looking forward to a good membership and with the guidance of our Lord and Saviour may we accomplish a great deal to further His work in this parish and elsewhere.

The people of the parish gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ford on the evening of May 7 to welcome our new Rector and his wife. After a pleasant social evening and delicious lunch, the Church Wardens, on behalf of the congregation, presented Mr. and Mrs. Ellway with a reading lamp, for which they expressed their thanks.

It is the wish of the parish that our new Rector and family may receive God's richest blessings and that we all may find much happiness during their mission here.

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ST. MARY'S, EDGERTON

The Rev. W. D. Ellway.

The Rector and his family arrived in Edgerton on April 15th. They would like to express their appreciation of the great kindness showed to them by everybody in the parish.

The Ven. Archdeacon S. F. Tackaberry spent the week-end of April 20th in the parish, and conducted the induction of the rector on the evening of that Sunday at a service that must have made a lasting impression on the large congregation present. His visit was greatly appreciated, and the hope is expressed that he will be able in the not too distant future, to come to Edgerton again.

On Monday, April 21st, the Edgerton ladies held a "shower" at the Rectory and presented Mrs. Ellway with most of the effects needed to commence housekeeping in Canada, a kindly action on the part of the majority of the Edgerton people that has eased matters considerably at this stage.

A Vestry meeting was held on Thursday, April 24th, to acquaint the Rector with parochial affairs and to discuss the bazaar to be held on May 13. At this meeting Mr. Dudley Sawyer was elected to take the place, temporarily, of Mr. F. Mitchell as People's Warden. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell are taking six months' holiday, the first one together for 30 years, and all wish them a very pleasant time.

The bazaar and social evening held

on May 13th was very successful, both socially and also financially it is understood. It would appear that it is the first time that the male members of the church have assisted the W.A. to any extent. It is true to say that the men enjoyed the fun!

Following the appeal of last month for Sunday School teachers, it is good news to be able to record that the required number volunteered and assured the continuance of this most important branch of the church in this parish.

Regular services are now being held at St. Mary's. Celebration of the Holy Communion on alternate Sundays, and on the greater festivals at 8:30 a.m. Evensong every Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

For the first time for some years Evensong was held on Ascension Day.

The Rector is very grateful to all who are providing him with means of transport to Heath and Rosemoyne until he has his own vehicle.

Rosemoyne

The Archdeacon accompanied the rector to his first service at Rosemoyne and addressed the large congregation at a meeting held after the service. The inspiring number at that first service has been maintained at subsequent services. Such services are held on alternate Sundays at 3 p.m.

The Sunday School has been re-commenced, with Mr. Leonard Burton as superintendent, supported by an adequate number of teachers.

good. A word of acknowledgement is due to the superintendent and staff for the wonderful work done.

The W.A., too, has had a busy season. The annual bazaar held in April

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The Rev. S. J. Bell.

Slides from the M.S.C.C. illustrating the W.A. Study Book, "India at the Threshold," were shown in the parish hall, May 7th. The members of the afternoon branch of the W.A., a number of the United Church ladies and members of the A.Y.P.A. were present. The talk on the slides was given by Mrs. S. J. Bell. Curios from India were on display, loaned by Mrs. Blocksidge and Mrs. French. Mr. F. Loader explained the significance of these, also a bird's nest which he had brought from India many years ago.

The W.A. are holding a May tea and food sale Saturday, May 17th, in the parish hall. The annual deanery meeting under the chairmanship of Mrs. Barnett will be held in Camrose, June 3rd, commencing with a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Andrew's at 10:30 a.m.

Some of the W.A. members attended the service of Holy Communion 9:30 a.m., Ascension Day.

Empire Youth Sunday will be observed by the A.Y.P.A. taking part in the service of Morning Prayer. The address will be given by the Rev. F. A. Peake, Vicar of Ponoka.

The A.Y.P.A. are planning to be at the annual conference in full force at the end of the month. Weather and road conditions have made necessary the postponement of the bicycle hike, but we all are still hoping.

There will be a Confirmation Service June 15th, in the morning. There are five candidates. We are looking forward to this important event, and to having the Bishop with us.

Work has begun on the interior of the rectory. The Vestry has called for tenders to paint the outside, also the outside of the parish hall.

Wedding: May 3rd, Charles James Loader, Wetaskiwin, to Elspeth Maud Jarvie, Edmonton.

WINFIELD

Mr. A. E. Bowker.

After a long winter we are looking forward to the summer and regular services. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bowker have returned to the district from Winnipeg, where Mr. Bowker spent the winter studying at St. John's College. We trust the roads will be good for the major part of the next four months to enable him to move easily between Winfield, Hoadley and Breton.

The Sunday School has had a successful winter, attendance being very

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was a great success. This made it possible for regular commitments to be met and in addition to make contributions to Indian Missions, Elizabeth House and "Save the Children Fund." In December a fire caused smoke damage in the Mission House, but the ladies have since done a lovely job of redecorating.

Baptisms: Carol Virginia Gibbons; Constance Gail Ryall; Thomas Gordon Joseph Cartwright.

CAMROSE

Canon A. Wallis.

Mrs. Barnett, our Deanery President, has asked us to say that the Deanery Meeting will be held in Camrose on the 3rd June. The theme this year is, "Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth." If the Deanery is over before you get your copy of the "Churchman," you will know how very pleased we were to welcome you to our new church.

The Young Married Group held a very successful tea and sale during May. We appreciate their willingness to help in whatever comes along.

We would like to thank the various working parties who through the past month have been busy, kalsomining the Guild Room, tidying up outside, and inside.

The A.Y.P.A. held a Whist Party and those who went enjoyed it immensely.

Our Bishop always leaves with us some message which permeates ordinary lives and makes them feel necessary and useful to God's plan for the world. We heard that "one of the most important problems the Church has to face is how to extend the Christian Faith . . . people are God's method; individuals; people who are willing to accept responsibilities and be witnesses to the Faith we hold. . . . The emphasis lay in the difference of the method of Jesus Christ compared with that of the modern world. God will judge any Church or Group as unworthy that has only power. He made us: He loved us, and tries to save us by His method of grace and love. On the Cross He offered the world His love, the most precious thing that has ever happened, and man refused it. We come as those whom God made and keeps and loves; we will try to make His method prevail in the world."

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Dodd; David Adam Strachan; Verna Margaret Lomas; Shirley Eileen Bradley; Barbara Gwen Howarth; Norma Aileen Bradley.

Baptisms: Charles Edward Gardiner; Linda Lee Whaley.

Burials: May Mapley Peterson; Roger Paulson, two years (by the Rev. Mr. Olson); Baby Merton Ralph Galenza.

ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

A very beautiful service was held at St. Dunstan's May 18th, when Bishop Barfoot visited this parish to administer the Rite of Confirmation, Canon Wallis presenting three candidates, all member of one family, Arthur, Kenneth, and Mary Lou Lomas. There was a large attendance, for it is always a pleasure to have the Bishop with us.

The lovely flowers for the altar were the gift of the W.A.

A number of W.A. members plan on attending the Deanery W.A. meeting in Camrose, June 3rd.

ST. JOHN'S, MILLET

The Rev. S. J. Bell.

The annual meeting of the Guild was held at the home of Mrs. Hoskins in March. All officers were re-elected for another year. Reports for the past year were very encouraging. It was decided to purchase material for aprons and some needlework. At the close of the meeting lunch was served.

The April meeting of the Guild was held at the home of Mrs. Baker. Further plans were made for the fall bazaar and some articles turned in. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

The Choral Communion Service Easter Sunday was well attended. We are very grateful to Mrs. Maggs and the choir of Wetaskiwin for helping out so nicely. After the service Mrs. Gardiner entertained the choir.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Ross is recovering from a broken ankle.

St. John's are always pleased to welcome new members to the parish. This month we say Welcome to Mrs. Rigby and son Stanley, who have taken up residence in Millet.

ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

The Rev. F. A. Peake.

The April W.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Paterson, with Mrs. Rees and Miss Martin as hostesses. Final plans were made for the Spring Tea. Fancy work for the Fall Bazaar was given out by the convenor of the fancy work committee, Mrs. Paterson.

The Evening W.A. Group's White Elephant Sale was a great success. They wish to thank all those who contributed articles or who came to take part in the "bidding."

Plans are being made by the Vestry to have a refreshment booth on the second day of the Stampede. The proceeds are for the St. Mary's Rectory's Fund. They also plan to add to this fund in the early fall by having a Rummage Sale. These projects need the support of every parishioner and every friend of St. Mary's in this parish.

Holy Matrimony: April 7th, Samuel Edward Wills to Ivy Maud Hickmore.

Holy Baptism: Thomas Christian, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hickmore, on Sunday, April 27th.

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